

NEUTERING YOUR RABBIT

If you are not planning on breeding from your rabbit, then we highly recommend getting them neutered especially if you have more than one. This can sometimes prevent fighting. It can also prevent problems developing later in life.

PROCEDURE FOR CASTRATION OR SPAY IN RABBITS

Your rabbit should be at least four months of age. They will be admitted to the surgery between 8.30am and 9.00am. On admittance your rabbit will be weighed and checked by a vet. A general anaesthetic will then be administered by the vet and closely monitored by one of our nurses.

Male Rabbits

A male rabbit will have both testicles removed. An appointment will be needed ten days after the operation to remove the skin stitches. By having your rabbit castrated you will prevent:

- ❖ Testicular cancer/tumours
- ❖ Male characteristic behaviour
- ❖ Aggression in some rabbits

Female Rabbits

A female rabbit will have her ovaries and uterus removed. This will prevent any further seasons. An appointment will be needed ten days after the operation to remove the skin stitches. By having your rabbit spayed you will prevent:

- ❖ Unwanted litters
- ❖ Reduce the risk of mammary tumours
- ❖ Aggression in some rabbits
- ❖ Sexual behaviour
- ❖ Ovary and uterine tumours

Detailed advice regarding care of your rabbit in the days following the operation including diet is discussed with you when your pet is discharged from the surgery.

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