

Boarding Your Dog

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- ♥ We strive to make your dog's visit as comfortable and stress-free as possible. We provide separate dog and cat facilities and give individual attention to each guest. To ensure the health and safety of your dog, we require that all pets in the boarding areas be up-to-date on vaccines and free of infectious diseases and parasites.
- ♥ We have spacious indoor runs available for large or extra large dogs; medium and small cages for smaller dogs.
- ♥ You may choose to bring your dog's regular food or use the hospital's food. We normally feed Hill's Science Diet Maintenance dry food once daily. Prescription diets are available for an additional \$4 per day. Twice a day feedings are also available for an additional \$4 per day.
- ♥ We check all pets for fleas, ticks, and ear mites on admission. If fleas are found, appropriate treatment will be initiated to prevent the spread of these parasites to the other pets in the hospital. All dogs are leash-walked outdoors twice daily in an area adjacent to the hospital. In order to keep your pet from contracting fleas and ticks on these walks, we recommend administration of a topical flea and tick adulticide called Frontline TopSpot upon admission. This product kills ticks for up to one month and fleas for up to three months.
- ♥ You may bring safe chew toys and treats for your pet, but we discourage items such as rawhide chews, pig ears, hooves, stuffed animals, plastic dog beds, and towels. We cannot be responsible for any personal items left with your pet. Please keep your leash and have it available when you pick up your pet.
- ♥ A negative fecal exam within the last 6 months is required (\$45), and we highly recommend that all dogs be tested annually for heartworm disease.
- ♥ To help insure your dog's health, we require that all dogs boarding with us be current on the following vaccinations: Rabies (\$23), Distemper, Hepatitis, Parvovirus, and Parainfluenza (\$23), and Bordetella (Kennel Cough \$25).
- ♥ A physical examination is always given with vaccinations. The exam cost is \$52, unless we have examined your pet within the last 6 months, in which case, a minor exam is performed for \$36. If medical problems are found and treated the exam fee is \$68.
- ♥ Our staff is trained to administer any necessary oral or topical medications. Medications will be administered as instructed for a daily fee of \$4 per drug, per administration. Medications must be clearly identified and labeled.
- ♥ If your pet develops a medical problem while staying with us, we will try to reach you or your emergency contact. For the safety of your dog, we will automatically perform a physical exam and provide appropriate medical supervision at your expense if we are unable to reach you.
- ♥ We can provide services such as bathing, nail trim, dental cleaning, or even surgical procedures while your pet is staying with us. Please discuss specific requests with the receptionist when you drop off your dog for boarding.

♥ Thank you for entrusting your dog to our care ♥

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