

Name _____ Pet's Name/Names _____

IMPORTANT EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Since an emergency may happen at any time with your pet, please take the time to have your wishes recorded below. This information is most critical for our staff and any emergency room personnel. During your time away, our staff will make every effort to contact your listed veterinarian for any medical emergency or medical information. However, after hours, weekends, and holidays, we must use the appropriate Veterinary Emergency hospital. Every time you leave town and your pet is in our care, please check with your listed emergency contact to make sure they'll be available to transport your pet to and from the veterinarian's office. Your emergency contact also needs to know a history of any medical problems that you may have experienced with your pet. For example, if your pet sometimes limps after playing ball, gets diarrhea easily, or occasionally is lethargic and cranky, it would be helpful to have that history available. Then if your pet exhibits these same behaviors when in our care, your contact person will know this is normal for your pet. When your emergency contact person is not available, we will transport your pet to either to your veterinarian's office, or Veterinary Emergency hospital. Our customary charge is \$25.00 per trip. If our staff transports your pet, we need to convey your wishes during your absence. Listed below are some questions that need careful consideration. We want to assume no responsibility for any decision that would normally be made by you, your family, and your personal veterinarian without your approval.

1. If it is not life threatening, do you want x-rays taken? Yes _____ No _____
2. If it is not life threatening, do you want blood work done? Yes _____ No _____
3. If it is not life threatening, do you want the vet to do the minimum to keep your pet comfortable until your pet can be transported to your personal vet or do you want the emergency room vet to complete treatment?
 - a. Minimum only
 - b. Complete treatment
 - c. If complete treatment is selected, do not exceed \$ _____
4. If surgery is involved (for example, bloat) please consider the following:
 - a. Complete the surgery no matter what the cost
 - b. Complete the surgery with a maximum cost of \$ _____
 - c. Surgery is not permitted
5. If a decision is made not to do the surgery and euthanasia is recommended how would you like to have the emergency room personnel dispose of your pet's body?
 - a. Refrigerate until I return and I will pick up my pet
 - b. Private cremation with ashes returned to me
 - c. Cremation with no return of ashes
 - d. Public disposal Thank you for taking the time to consider these options.

We know it is never easy making such decisions about your pet. All of the staff at Whiskers, Aquatics & Exotics are animal lovers and absolutely can relate to these tender decisions.

Owner Signature: _____ Date: _____