

SPAYING/NEUTERING

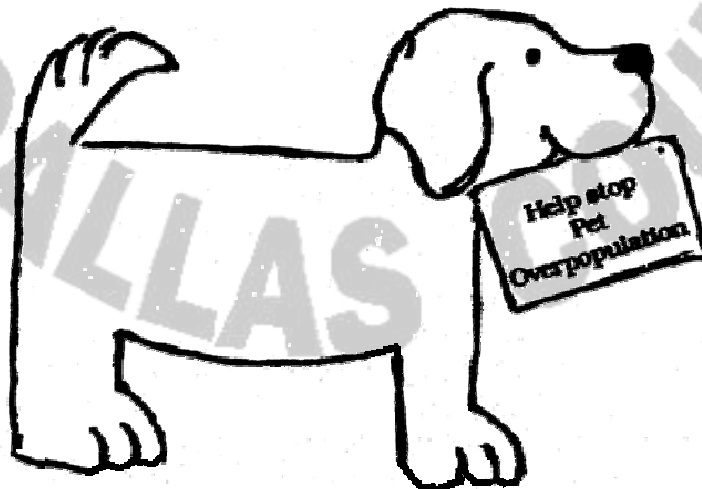
Spayed and neutered pets are safer, healthier and happier pets. Most females come in heat about every six months. Some of them do this as young as six or eight months of age. It usually lasts 21 days. The first sign is a red discharge lasting four to seven days followed by swelling of the vulva. This attracts males. She should be confined the entire time whether or not you intend to breed her. Dogs dig under the fence and can jump unusual heights. Spaying or neutering does not make a dog fat. Lack of exercise and feeding habits cause weight gain.

FEMALE

- Spaying a female before her first heat cycle reduces her chances of developing breast cancer.
- Eliminates threat of uterine and ovarian cancer and uterine infection
- Prevents false pregnancies
- Prevents unwanted litters
- Reduces dog license fees
- Will prevent spotting your carpet twice a year

MALE

- Reduces “mounting” behavior and sexual frustration
- Prevents testicular tumors and reduces incidence of prostate cancer
- Males neutered early in life are less aggressive toward other males
- They are less likely to “mark” by lifting their legs in the house
- Neutered males are less likely to be distracted by females in heat
- Are less likely to roam
- Reduces dog license fees



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