

## General checklist prior to surgery

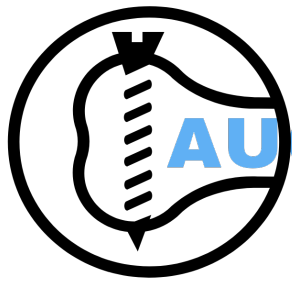
Name	Breed
Weight	Surgery

## Presurgical checklist – to be done 24-48 hours prior to surgery

Presurgical checklist	
Name	Date
Procedure	
Pet examined 24-48 hours prior to surgery?	Skin/gastrointestinal ok?
Owner aware of estimate?	
Marcaïn in stock?	
Zinacef/Augmenting in stock?	
Theatre/nurses/xrays available?	
Surgeon contacted and aware of procedure?	
Blood analysis?	
Cerenia tablet for the night before surgery?	

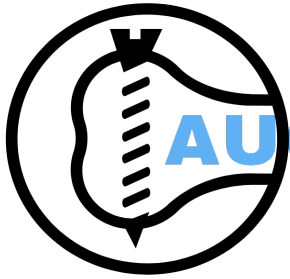
## Theatre checklist – to be done the day of the surgery

Theatre clean? NO dirty ops before surgery?	
Trolley available?	
Dental procedures policy?	
Cerenia given?	



## Surgical checklist - to be done on the day of the surgery

SIGN IN		TIME OUT			SIGN OUT
Has the patient had their	YES	Confirm the patient's name and procedure			
Identity confirmed	YES	Should antibiotics be given every 90 minutes			Culture or histopathology samples taken
Consent checked	YES	YES	NO		
Procedure verified	YES	Does the surgeon anticipates significant blood loss			Swab count performed
Surgical site verified	YES	YES	NO		
Has the anaesthetic circuit been checked	YES	Are there any critical steps			Sharps been dealt with
		YES	NO		
Does the patient have		Are there any specific equipment or repositioning			Equipment issues noticed or needing sorting
		YES	NO		
1. Known allergies		Has a swab count been performed?			Any concerns for recovery
YES	NO	YES	NO		
2. Difficult airway		Are there any anaesthesia specific requirements			
YES	NO	YES	NO		
3. Risk of significant blood loss		Has the circuit been checked			
YES	NO	YES	NO		
Are antibiotics needed 30 min before induction		Has sterility been confirmed			
YES	NO	YES	NO		
Should NSAIDs be given		Are there any equipment issues			
YES	NO	YES	NO		
Is the position in theatre known					



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**Discharge checklist - to be done before sending patient home**

Discharge checklist	
Name	Date
Procedure	
Postoperative sheets printed	
Surgeon updated owner	
Buster collar	
Painkillers@correct dose	
IV line out	
Pet is clean	
Postoperative plan done and follow ups and X-rays been booked	

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