



**Green Pastures**  
VETERINARY CENTRE

## **Guinea Pig/Rodent Castrate**

**Important Information:** Please ensure your pet has plenty of food and water available overnight. It is important that they eat prior to an anaesthetic to help reduce the risk of gut stasis post neutering.

### **What is castration?**

This procedure describes the removal of both the testes from a male rodent. Most pets recover quickly from this procedure and other than being a little be sleepier, will be back to normal within a few days.

### **Benefits of castration**

By having your male pet neutered you will eliminate their chances of developing testicular cancer. In some cases, it can also help to reduce aggressive behaviours which can in turn make them easier to handle. Castration also stops the chances of unwanted litters if you own more than one rodent.

### **What happens while your pet is with us?**

We will take you through our consent form and discuss the procedure with you. This is your opportunity to ask any questions that may have. Following this your pet will be settled into their bed and be given time to relax after the journey to Green Pastures in our quiet small furry only ward with food and water. Once they are settled they will be given their anaesthetic drugs and the operation will be carried out. Your pet will be monitored closely at all times during their operation and their recovery. Once awake they will be given another examination, food and water. A discharge appointment will be made at a time that is suitable for you, usually 2pm onwards, over the phone if one has not already been arranged. Homecare instructions will be discussed with you during this discharge appointment.

### **Additional procedures**

At Green Pastures, we are happy to carry out additional procedures while your pet is in for their routine neutering. These can include nail clipping and dental checks. If you require anything extra please speak to the admit nurse to discuss any additional procedures you would like to have done. Please note any additional procedures will incur extra charges.

### **Pricing**

Guinea Pig Castration £39.18

Rodent Castration £37.66 (Price correct May 2017)

This does not include the costs of any additional procedures carried out.