



**Green Pastures**  
VETERINARY CENTRE

## Rabbit Castration

**Important information:** Please ensure your rabbit has plenty of hay, food and water to eat overnight. It is important for him to eat prior to the anaesthetic to help reduce the risk of gut stasis. This is also true for his recovery. To minimise this risk we highly recommend bringing in your rabbits favourite foods from home, for him to enjoy as he recuperates from his operation.

### What is castration?

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

### What are the benefits of castration?

By having your male rabbit neutered you will eliminate his chances of developing testicular cancer and from causing any unwanted litters if you own more than one rabbit. In some cases, it can also help reduce aggressive behaviours which can, in turn, make him easier to handle as well as minimising the frequency of urine spraying.

### What happens while your rabbit 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 you may have. Following this, your rabbit will be settled into his bed in our rabbit only ward with calming pheromone support and will be given time to relax after his journey to Green Pastures. Once settled, he will have a small patch of fur from his ear clipped and numbed with a local anaesthetic cream. We will then place a cannula into the vein, where the anaesthetic drugs are administered. We then carry out the operation. Your rabbit will be monitored closely during the procedure and on recovery by one of our nurses. Once awake, he will be given another examination, food and water. A discharge appointment will next be made to collect your pet at a time that is suitable for you. Homecare instructions and medications will be discussed with you at this appointment.

### Additional procedures

At Green Pastures, we are happy to carry out additional procedures whilst your rabbit is in for his operation. These include such things as nail clipping and microchipping. If you require anything else, please speak to the admit nurse to discuss it. Please note that additional procedures will incur extra charges.

### Pricing

Rabbit castration- £85.00

**Please ensure you are available on the day of your rabbit's castration to be contacted if necessary.**

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