

8-Week Tarsal Arthrodesis Recheck Examination

Patient name: _____

Breed: _____ Age: _____ yrs Sex: M F NM FS

Pet Owner's Name: _____

Date: _____

Client history questionnaire:

- Which limb had the tarsal arthrodesis surgery?
 Left Right
- When was the arthrodesis performed? _____ weeks ago
- What is the severity of lameness at home on operated side? Mild Moderate
 Severe Nonweight-bearing
- Does your pet cry out in pain? No Yes If yes state when and how often and when:
- Is there any swelling of the limbs? No Yes
- Is the operated limb sensitive or painful to touch? No Yes
- Has your pet been urinating normally? No Yes
- Are your pet's bowel movements normal? No Yes List issues if present:
- Do you give your pet nutritional supplements? No Yes List:
- Has your pet received any nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory (NSAID) medication (i.e. Rimadyl, Carprofen, Metacam, Previcox, Deramaxx)? No Yes - List (medication, dose and when last dose given, adverse effects):
- Other medications that your pet is receiving? No Yes - List (medication, dose and when last dose given, adverse effects):
- How has your pet's appetite been? Normal Decreased
- Has your pet been licking the surgical site? No Yes
- Has your pet been wearing an Elizabethan collar? No Yes
- Are you doing range of motion of joints of the forelimb? No Yes
- Is your pet's activity restricted? Yes No - explain:
- Has your pet's weight changed since surgery? No Increased Decreased
Amount of weight change: _____ lbs

To be completed by veterinary staff:

Physical examination:

Temperature: _____ Pulse: _____

Mucous membrane color: _____

Body weight: _____ pounds

Resp: _____ Capillary refill time: _____ seconds

Body score: _____/9

History:

Limb(s) operated: _____

Bone fractured: _____

Fracture was repaired with: _____

Lameness at home: _____

Medications previously prescribed: _____

Response and side effects to medications: _____

Physical examination:

Body weight: _____ lb/_____ kg Body score: _____/9

Limb lameness on operated limb: _____

Limb lameness on unoperated limb(s): _____

Incision: _____

Range of motion of carpus/elbow joints: _____

Stability of fracture site: _____

Pain with palpation of fracture site: _____

Other findings: _____

Diagnostics: none performed today

Diagnosis: _____

Instructions to client: _____

Medication recommended: _____

Supplements: _____

Diet: _____

Glycosaminoglycan: _____

Exercise: gradually increase to normal over the next month

A recheck exam _____.

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