

Client information on KEYHOLE BITCH SPAY

Benfleet Veterinary surgery is proud to be one of the handful of surgeries in this country to offer key hole techniques for procedures such as bitch spay.

What is keyhole technique?

Keyhole surgical technique (laparoscopic) is minimally invasive surgery which involves passing a camera and specialised instruments through tiny holes (0.5-1.2cm) on the body wall and performing surgical procedures.

What is keyhole bitch spay?

In using this technique the ovaries (ovariectomy) or ovaries and uterus (ovariohysterectomy) will be removed through small incisions in the abdomen with video assisted instruments.

With the keyhole spay we perform ovariectomy as standard.

The advantages over conventional procedure:

- Quicker recovery – most of the dogs will usually get back to normal life on the following day
- Less painful for the animal
- Risk of infection is low - As the abdomen is not practically exposed to the outside environment the risk of post operative infection is usually very minimum.
- Faster healing time – the size of the surgical wound is very small which results quicker healing
- Minimally invasive way of looking at internal organs.
- Usually no external stitches applied which avoid the animal from chewing the stitches or needing them removed.
- This procedure can be performed in dogs weighing from 4.5kgs and above. Very rarely the procedure cannot be performed via a laparoscope and the procedure will be converted to a conventional spay.

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