

ACE VET HOSPITAL

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## KEYHOLE DESEXING

Keyhole surgery (or minimally invasive surgery) is an advanced, safe and very gentle method for desexing your dog or cat. This procedure requires only a very small incision and enables the surgeon to perform precision surgery. Keyhole desexing involves the removal of the ovaries only, rather than the uterus and ovaries which is performed during a traditional desexing.

Keyhole desexing offers numerous benefits over traditional desexing and is considered globally, to be the gold standard in desexing surgery.

## HOW IS IT PERFORMED?

Once the small incision is made, a high definition camera with a fibre optic light source is inserted into the abdomen. Magnified images viewed on a screen then enable the surgeon to guide specialised instruments through a port and remove the ovaries.

Keyhole surgery can also be used to remove the undescended testicles of the male patient, safely and less invasively than the traditional open method.

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS OF SURGERY?

As with traditional desexing, keyhole desexing involves a general anaesthetic and is a surgical procedure. Both of these procedures have risks associated with them and clients will be made aware of these.

## WHAT ARE THE COSTS?

The costs of keyhole desexing are reflective of the degree of skill required by the surgeon, and the specialised equipment required to perform the procedure.

## THE BENEFITS OF KEYHOLE DESEXING



- **COMFORT**

The gentlest desexing method. Considerably less pain, during and post operatively. Requires much less aftercare.

- **RECOVERY**

A rapid return to normal function and activities. Patients require only 2 days rest, as opposed to up to 2 weeks of confinement with the traditional technique.

- **SAFETY**

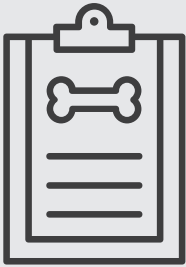
Minimally invasive, smaller incisions with minimal blood loss or infection risk.

- **MEDICATION**

Shorter operative time with less overall anaesthetic. Less need for post operative pain control medication.

Michelle is the owner of Summers who is a VERY energetic Labrador cross Golden Retriever. Michelle said, ***“Summers recovery was amazing! After 24 hours she was back to normal, running around, happy and still very energetic. I was so pleased I chose this option for her desexing, I was dreading the thought of having to keep her quiet for a week or two.”***





## FIND OUT MORE

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