

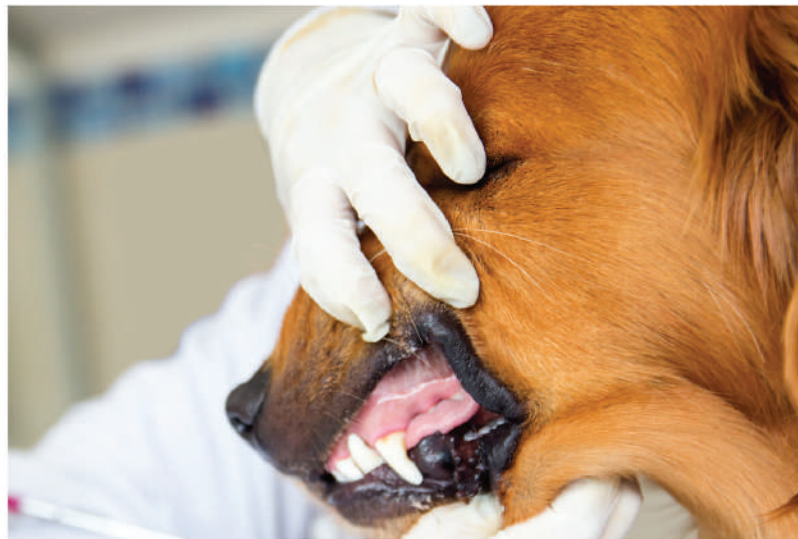
Every dental performed with us includes the following:

- ✓ Pre-Anesthetic Bloodwork
- ✓ IV Fluids
- ✓ Full-Mouth Dental X-Rays
- ✓ Full Mouth Dental Examination
- ✓ Dental Cleaning

Teeth EXTRACTIONS are not included in every dental, and are performed based on your veterinarian's recommendations after completing the dental x-rays and examination.

Based on the findings of the dental x-rays and examination, your veterinarian may recommend the extraction of certain teeth

We will phone and contact you as soon as we have determined the need for any extractions, to ensure you are fully informed about your pet's procedure.



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**PET DENTALS,
EXPLAINED**

THE DENTAL: STEP BY STEP

Pre-Anesthetic Bloodwork

Using our in-house laboratory, we collect a blood sample from your pet's neck or leg and have the results within a few minutes.

This allows us to evaluate the function of your pet's liver and kidneys, as well as their main electrolytes.

These results ensure your pet is healthy enough for the anesthetic medications used during the dental procedure.

It also works as a health screening tool to assess for any other underlying health concerns.



IV Fluids

A catheter is placed into a vein in your pet's leg and used as a port for fluids and medications.

Intravenous (IV) fluids allow us to directly support your pet's blood pressure throughout the entire dental procedure.

Since dentals are often quite long, blood pressure commonly varies throughout the procedure. IV fluids help us minimize this and the associated risks.

The IV catheter also gives us direct and immediate access to administer medications in the event of an anesthetic emergency.



Dental X-Rays

Dental x-rays are taken of EVERY tooth in your pet's mouth.

This allows us to evaluate the structure and integrity of the teeth above and below the gumline, determining which teeth are diseased to the point that they need extracting.



Anesthetic Monitoring

Throughout the ENTIRE dental procedure, we have staff members and specialized equipment dedicated to monitoring your pet's heart and respiratory rates, blood pressure, temperature, and other important health parameters.

Their health and safety is our first priority!



Dental Examination

Using similar tools to your own dentist, each tooth is fully examined from the surface to the gum surrounding it.

Any damage, mobility, infection or abnormalities surrounding a tooth are recorded and help to determine if a tooth needs to be extracted.



Dental Cleaning

All teeth that are healthy enough to stay each receive a thorough cleaning.

Any plaque and tartar buildup is cleared away using an ultrasonic scaler, and hand curettes/scalers where appropriate.

A polish is then applied to every tooth, just like at a human dentist's office!

A surface treatment is then applied to the teeth to highlight any small areas of plaque that may have been missed during the cleaning.



Tooth Extraction

Commonly, dogs and cats have teeth that are either damaged or diseased to the point that the best action is to have those teeth removed.

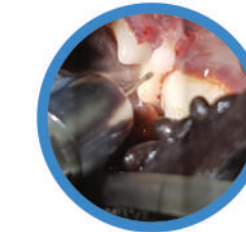
Although this initially sounds like a quick and simple procedure, there are multiple steps with every tooth that needs to come out.



STEP 1: NERVE BLOCK

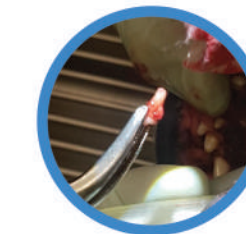
Using a medication similar to Lidocaine, an injection is given into the area of the nerve for each tooth to remove sensation.

This significantly reduces the pain associated with each tooth extraction.



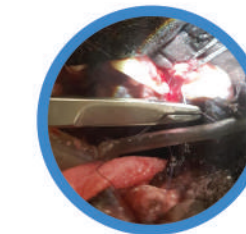
STEP 2: GUM FLAPS + TOOTH SECTIONING

Many dog and cat teeth have multiple roots. This means that the gums must be lifted into a flap to access the tooth roots so they can be cut into individual pieces for extraction. This is done using a high-speed dental drill.



STEP 3: EXTRACTION

Handheld tools called luxators are used to weaken the ligament that holds each root in place. Once loosened enough, each tooth segment is removed.



STEP 4: EXTRACTION SITE CARE

After the tooth is removed, the socket is cleaned to remove any leftover tissue or infection. If it was a very large tooth, bone graft material is placed into the socket to help with healing. All extraction sites are then sutured closed.

Book Your Pet's Dental Today!

We're excited to work with you and your pet!

For further information, or to book a dental Appointment, give us a call today at [306-728-4456](tel:306-728-4456).