



JONESVILLE ANIMAL HOSPITAL

Bandage or Splint Care

A bandage or splint has been applied to a wound, injury, or surgical site to protect the area and promote healing. The bandage material must remain clean and dry. Protect the bandage or splint from rain, morning dew, puddles, the pool, or other standing water. Apply a heavy plastic bag over the bandage when taking your pet outside. Never leave the plastic bag on for extended periods of time as moisture will build up under the bag. Excessive activity can cause the bandage to slip and delay healing. Walk your pet on a leash and confine him or her to a small area while the bandage or splint is in place. Please call immediately if the bandage or splint gets wet, dirty, or becomes loose. If your pet tries to chew the bandage or splint, you can obtain an e-collar from us or apply a product to the area that discourages chewing, such as Chewguard or Bitter Apple. If your pet has accepted the bandage, but starts chewing after several days, or if you smell a foul odor, call us immediately. There may be a sore developing under the bandage.