



# Cardinal Animal Hospital

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## WHY SHOULD YOU NEUTER YOUR MALE CAT?

Your new kitten is approaching 6 months of age, which is an ideal time to neuter him. When done early, this surgical procedure will eliminate many unwanted behavioral problems, which develop with sexual maturity and can significantly lengthen your cat's life. Here is a brief list of expected benefits:

- Eliminates spraying to "mark" his territory both outdoors and in your home.
- Eliminates roaming in search of females. If allowed to run loose he may fight with other males, be injured, killed by automobiles, or get lost.
- Greatly reduces the medical costs related to treating abscesses and other injuries received in cat fights.
- Helps control the pet population crisis by avoiding unwanted pregnancies.
- Statistics reveal that the average life span of an unaltered male cat is 6 years. This average can more than double if you have your kitten neutered.

Altering your pet will not change your pet's personality except to make him a calmer, more devoted pet. The surgery will not cause him to become fat and lazy. Any older, less active animal may experience weight gain, which can be controlled by proper diet and exercise.

Unless you are convinced that you will want to show or breed your kitten, we recommend that you call for a surgical appointment soon. Feel free to call us at 668-9475 if you have any questions regarding this important procedure.