

WV BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
ANESTHESIA MONITORING RECOMMENDATION

Shall be monitored while the patient is under general anesthesia.

- Monitored continuously
- Recorded at least every 15 minutes

Shall not be released from veterinary supervision until it is responsive and recovered from anesthesia.

- Fully awake
- Ambulatory (if ambulatory before surgery)
- Maintain body temperature
- Able to swallow

If the client demands to take the animal home against the veterinarian's advice and judgement, the client should sign a release form stating:

- The client has been advised not to leave with the animal.
- The client realizes the risks involved.
- The client is taking the animal against the advice of the veterinarian.