



# Bandage/Splint Home Care

## Instructions

Bandages and splints are applied for various reasons, and proper home care is essential for a successful outcome. Please follow the guidelines below to ensure your pet's comfort and healing while wearing a bandage or splint:

### General Guidelines:

- **Keep the bandage/splint dry at all times.**
  - Use a plastic bag, IV fluid bag, or a similar device to protect the bandage/splint when your pet goes outside.
- **Always keep the E-collar on.**
- **Cover the bandage/splint only when your pet is outside.**
  - Remove the cover when they come back inside.
- **Avoid leaving your pet outside for prolonged periods.**

### What to Do if the Bandage/Splint Gets Wet:

- If the bandage/splint becomes slightly wet, **dry it with a hairdryer on a low heat setting.**
- If the bandage/splint is saturated, **contact our office immediately** to schedule a bandage change.

### When to Schedule a Bandage/Splint Evaluation:

Please schedule an appointment with us if any of the following occur:

- Your pet begins chewing at the bandage/splint.
- You notice a foul odor or a change in the smell coming from the bandage/splint.
- Your pet stops using the affected limb.
- Your pet frequently looks back at the bandaged/splinted leg.

### Important Reminders:

- Check with your veterinarian about when the bandage/splint needs to be changed.
- If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us the number.

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