

40-13-14-.02 Distribution of Dog and Cat Sterilization Funds

(1) Each licensed and accredited veterinarian in Georgia may apply to perform a maximum of three procedures per month.

(2) The veterinarian must inform the owner or agent in writing of any additional procedures with additional charges (i.e. vaccinations, laboratory services, pain medication, etc.) prior to performing additional services.

(3) The following two forms must be received by the Georgia Department of Agriculture in order to disperse funds for sterilization procedures.

(a) "Veterinarian's Application for Financial Assistance".

(b) "Veterinary Claim for Payment Owner/Client Verification of Surgical Procedure" must be received within 60 days of the date of approval of the "Veterinarian's Application for Financial Assistance".

(4) Financial assistance for sterilization procedures shall be:

(a) feline castration	\$35.00
(b) feline ovariohysterectomy	\$45.00
(c) canine castration	\$55.00
(d) canine ovariohysterectomy	\$65.00

The veterinarian shall inform the client in writing of the non-subsidized part of the sterilization fee for which the client shall be responsible.

(5) When funds are available, municipal animal shelters may request a grant to assist with sterilization procedures on shelter animals that are to be adopted by private Georgia owners. These funds must not be used to operate sterilization clinics for the public.

(6) The following two forms must be received by the Georgia Department of Agriculture in order to disperse funds for sterilization procedures:

(a) "The Grant Application Form"

(b) "Grant Claim for Payment," which must be filed with the Department on a monthly basis by the municipal shelter.

(7) The payment for sterilization procedures shall be:

<u>(a) feline castration</u>	<u>\$35.00</u>
<u>(b) feline ovariohysterectomy</u>	<u>\$45.00</u>
<u>(c) canine castration</u>	<u>\$55.00</u>
<u>(d) canine ovariohysterectomy</u>	<u>\$65.00</u>