

Intravenous fluids are continued after surgery until the animal is drinking. Analgesics are administered for 2 to 3 days.

Food and water can be offered within 12 to 24 hours, unless postoperative vomiting occurs.

Malnourished animals should be monitored for refeeding syndrome (decreased phosphorus, potassium, and magnesium and fluid retention). Vomiting is treated with metoclopramide or an antiemetic, such as maropitant, and correction of any electrolyte abnormalities, particularly hypomagnesemia.

If vomiting persists, animals should be evaluated for peritonitis and radiographed for evidence of mechanical obstruction.