



## CT SCAN CONSENT FORM

Patient name (First and Last): \_\_\_\_\_

Veterinarian: \_\_\_\_\_

Veterinary clinic: \_\_\_\_\_

Procedure(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for entrusting Insight Mobile Veterinary Diagnostics to perform Computed Tomography (CT) imaging on your pet. Our goal is to provide a safe and stress-free experience for your pet while obtaining valuable diagnostics to develop an effective treatment plan.

Some of the common potential complications associated with the procedure are outlined below. Although many of these complications are unlikely to occur, it is important that you make an informed decision with regards to your pet's procedure. If you have any queries about the procedure, please discuss these with your veterinarian before signing this form.

Listed below are some of the complications that may occur.

**General Anaesthesia/Sedation.** There is a small chance of complications or death, even in an otherwise healthy patient, associated with any anaesthetic or sedative. The approximate risk of death for anaesthesia or sedation is 1 in 1000 cats and 1 in 2000 dogs.

**Aspirates.** There is a small risk of complications that may arise as a result of aspirating a lesion. These risks include internal bleeding, rupture of the lesion or seeding of cancer cells in the skin. The risk of this occurring is very small and is minimised by using ultrasound guidance to avoid vital structures.

**Pericardiocentesis.** There is a small risk of complications associated with drainage of fluid out of the pericardial space including cardiac puncture, arrhythmias, pericardial bleeding or death. These risks are minimised by using ultrasound guidance to avoid vital structures and an ECG to monitor the heart rhythm.

**Thoracocentesis.** There is a small risk of needle damage to the lung tissue resulting in a leakage of air into the thoracic cavity (pneumothorax). In most cases this resolves without any further intervention, however occasionally drainage of the air out of the chest will be required.

**CSF collection (spinal tap)** carries a very low risk of complications, some of which can be fatal. This procedure involves placing a needle in very close proximity to the spinal cord. Complications include puncture of the spinal cord or herniation of the brain. These risks are minimized by careful attention to technique and suitability of your pet for this procedure.

**Intravenous contrast** medium is routinely used in CT scans. This material is safe but does carry a small risk of anaphylaxis and kidney toxicity. Severe anaphylaxis reactions may occur in 0.8% (8 in 1000) of patients. All life saving measures to remedy this will be performed should it occur. Kidney toxicity is minimized by using intravenous fluids to flush out the contrast agent.

Does your pet have any of the following? If yes, please provide details

Kidney disease	Y	N	
Known adverse reactions to medications	Y	N	
Metal fragments/Pacemaker/Implants	Y	N	
Seizures	Y	N	

- Permission to sedate or anaesthetise my animal. \_\_\_\_\_ Initial
- Permission to administer iodinated intravenous contrast. \_\_\_\_\_ Initial
- Permission to perform ultrasound-guided needle drainage, aspirate or spinal tap, if deemed necessary, to assist in diagnosis or treatment. \_\_\_\_\_ Initial
- Permission to scan an additional body region/s if deemed necessary, to assist in diagnosis or treatment. \_\_\_\_\_ Initial
- I acknowledge that I will pay the additional fees associated with the procedures listed above, if and only in the unlikely event they may become necessary. \_\_\_\_\_ Initial

I hereby certify that I am the owner/guardian of the patient described above and being a person over 18, I have the authority to execute this consent.

I hereby consent to the performance of the procedure(s) outlined on this form.

I hereby certify that I have read this document, the nature and the purpose of the procedure(s) have been explained to me and I understand what will be done. I am aware that the common complications have been explained to me and understand that this form does not include an exhaustive list of every possible complication that may occur.

*Whilst the utmost professional care and attention will be given to your animal, inherent risks do exist with any procedure including unexpected complications and loss of life.*

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**Owner/Guardian**

**Witness**

Printed name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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