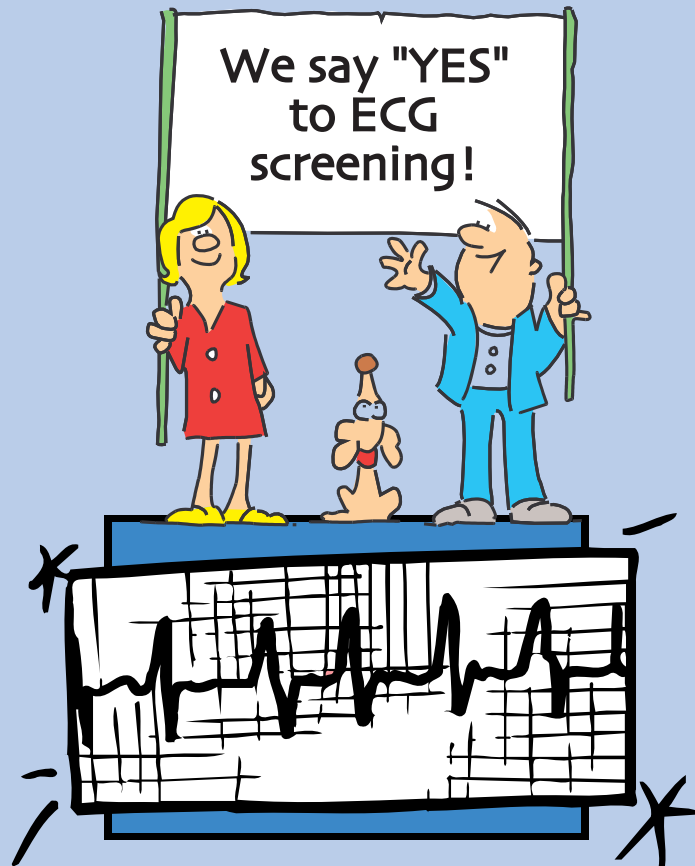


ECG SCREENING

Anesthetic deaths are rare but they do occur. 80% of these deaths under anesthesia are due to an undiagnosed heart condition. An electrocardiogram, commonly called an ECG or EKG, can diagnose some types of hidden heart abnormalities. Certain breeds of dogs and cats are especially prone to these problems: Boxers, Doberman Pinschers, Great Danes, English Cocker Spaniels and bulldogs are especially likely to have heart disease, as are Persian cats and pets over age 12. Any pet, however, can have an abnormality which could make anesthesia dangerous. An ECG screen before anesthesia is inexpensive and could save your pet's life.



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