

**Sugar Land Veterinary Imaging**  
*Radiation Therapy for Feline Hyperthyroidism*

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**RELEASE PROTOCOL FOR CATS TREATED WITH RADIOIODINE ( $I^{131}$ )**

“\_\_\_\_\_” was given radioiodine ( $I^{131}$ ) for the treatment of hyperthyroidism. Your cat has been isolated while most of the radioiodine has been excreted from its body. A low level of radioiodine still exists in your cat, but this level is below that which is considered necessary for complete patient isolation from humans. Because some radioactivity will still be present in your cat for the next few weeks, it is important that you agree to abide by the following precautions.

For the next two weeks you must:

1. Not hold your cat or allow it to sit in your lap for an extended time (>15minutes). Do not allow you cat to sleep in the room with you.
2. Provide a litter pan for your cat’s urination and defecation. This litter should be disposed daily in a garbage bag lined outside receptacle. Wear disposable gloves when handling the litter.
3. Always wash your hands immediately after contact with your cat or cat’s litter.
4. Confine your cat in your home at all times.
5. Not allow any person less than 18 years of age to have contact with your cat.
6. Not allow any pregnant person to have contact with your cat.
7. If you have any questions regarding radiation safety measures concerning your cat, please call Sugar Land Veterinary Specialists at (281) 491-7800 to obtain help from the appropriate person.

**IMPROTANT:** Should you be unable to abide by the preceding condition, your cat must be hospitalized for 2 additional weeks.

Client’s Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_