



GASTROSCOPY • DIAGNOSTIC AND THERAPEUTIC COLONOSCOPY • WIRELESS CAPSULE ENDOSCOPY

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Gastroscopy Preparation Instructions

Gastroscopy Preparation Requirements:

If your procedure is in the MORNING:

- Fast from midnight prior to the procedure,
- Water allowed up to 4 hours prior,
- NO Caffeinated drinks for 6 hours prior to procedure.

If your procedure is in the AFTERNOON:

- Fast after a light breakfast at 6am,
- Water allowed up to 4 hours prior,
- NO Caffeinated drinks for 6 hours prior to procedure

Any necessary medications can be taken as per usual, unless otherwise instructed.

Please advise our reception staff IF:

- You are a Diabetic,
- Take blood thinning medication,
- Have a Pacemaker, Defibrillator or any heart valves or stents.

Hospital Policy:

Patients are NOT permitted to drive or operate machinery until the following day. It is not advisable to fly on an aircraft on the day of the procedure.

You will require an escort home (this does NOT include a public bus or taxi driver) and someone to stay with you after the procedure. If you do not provide details of an escort to the hospital, your procedure will be cancelled.

Cancellation Policy:

If you are unable to attend or need to reschedule your procedure, please advise our Medical Receptionist at least 48 hours prior to your appointment to avoid a 5% administration charge being withheld.

If you have any additional questions that are not covered in this information pack, please contact our Medical Receptionist on (07) 4041 2877.

Thank you,

Cairns Gastroenterology.