

## Thyroid Panel

This panel helps diagnose/monitor thyroid disease in dogs and cats.

If it is your pet's first time being tested and they are not currently on a thyroid medication, the blood can be collected any time of the day. Fasting is not required.

If your **dog** is on thyroid medications, they need to have been on the thyroid medication consistently for the preceding two weeks. This helps ensure accurate results. The blood sample needs to be collected 4-6 hours after the thyroid medication has been given. For example if you typically give the thyroid medication at 7 am, we would want to collect the sample between 11 am and 1 pm. Fasting is not required.

If your **cat** is on thyroid medications, the blood can be collected at anytime. Fasting is not required.

It is best to retest about one week prior to prescription refill in case dose adjustments need to be made.