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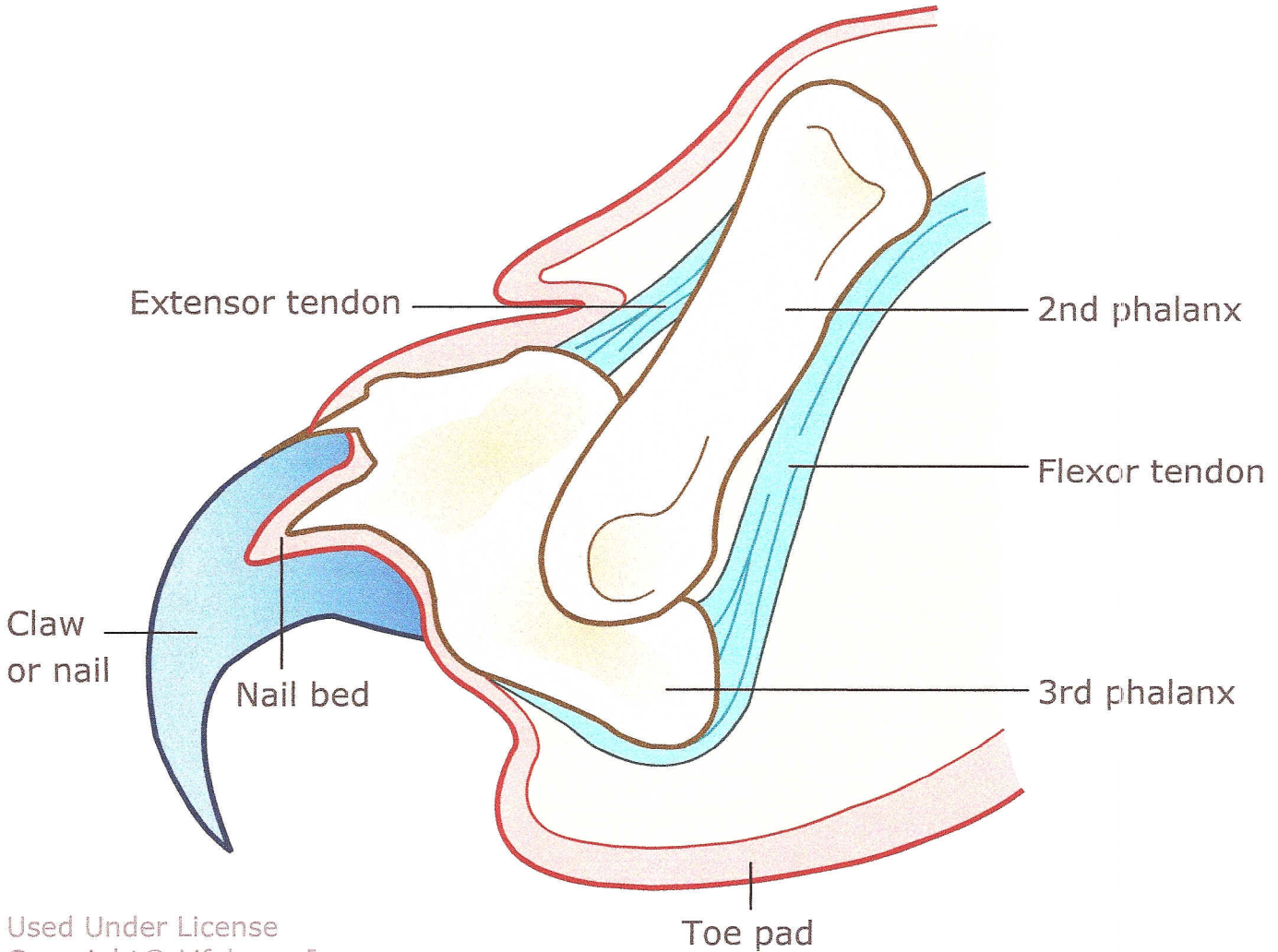
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Cat Claw: Cat claw and declawing.



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The toenail or claw of the cat grows from nailbed tissue at the end of the third bone of each toe. When a cat is declawed, the entire third bone is removed. To perform this surgery, the tendons that connect it to adjacent bone are severed, and the bone with the claw attached is taken out. The procedure is performed under general anesthesia and pain medication is usually required post-operatively. For further information about declawing and other options, see our Client Education Handout Series.