Promafine

Tranquillizer and anti-motion sickness drug for cats and dogs. Flavored oral solution.

Formula

Acepromazine maleate		1 g
Excipients q.s.	100	mL

Indications

Promafine is a phenothiazine derivative, used to dogs and cats, which acts as a neuroleptic and major tranquilizer. It enables animals to be indifferent to external stimuli without suffering loss of consciousness or falling asleep. Ataraxic, it causes a decrease in motor activity.

Promafine is indicated as a:

• Tranquilizer: in situations where it is necessary to achieve a state of indifference to external stimuli or reduce the excitability of an animal, e.g. during long trips, when there are loud noises or thunderstorms in the case of animals with little tolerance to noise or fear of loud noises, etc.

• Anti-motion sickness drug: its action on the central nervous system emetic center makes it possible to depress and suppress the gag reflex caused by central stimuli (travel, dizziness and others).

• Anesthesia premedication: it facilitates the handling of the animal while it is being prepared for surgery or when it must undergo surgical or clinical diagnostic maneuvers. Administration of this product makes it possible to reduce the dose of some anesthetic agents with which it can be combined.

Dosage and Administration

Dogs and cats: 1 to 3 drops per kg of bodyweight.

Dosage depends on the effect desired and the individual characteristics of each animal.

In general, it is advisable to begin administration with a dose of 1 drop per kg of bodyweight and assess the state of the animal between half to one hour after administration. If it is considered necessary to increase the tranquillizer effect the dose can be increased to a total of 3 drops per kg.

When used as an anti-motion sickness drug, lower doses are appropriate.

Maximal clinical signs of acepromazine effect last approximately 3 to 4 hours, but an effect continues to be observed up to 7 hours after administration. The dose may be repeated, depending on the tranquillizer effect needed and the desired duration. The recommended duration is between 6 to 8 hours.

The length of treatment depends on the effect sought, but in general it is used in single dose treatments. The product is administered solely by the oral route, and must be placed in the mouth of the animal to be treated. The small volume to be administered and the flavoring included in the formula facilitate this. In the case of unruly animals, the drug can be diluted in a small amount of milk or water if it is possible to ensure that the animal has swallowed the complete dose.

Package

Dropper containing 10 mL.

