

Phenobarbital PG

Anticonvulsant agent for dogs and cats.

Formula

Each multi-dose tablet contains:

Phenobarbital 40.0 mg
Excipients q.s. 300.0 mg

Indications

For the treatment of primary or idiopathic epilepsy, secondary epilepsy, and focal or generalized seizures. To deal with behavioral disorders: hyperexcitability, affective aggression, excessive licking, animals that catch non-existent flies, self-mutilation, dogs running in circles trying to catch their tails, hypersexuality, destructive behavior.

As a tranquilizer for nervous or irritable animals that require chemical restraint and cannot be administered promazine derivatives, since these are contraindicated in animals suffering from convulsions.

In animals with acute pruritus, it reduces the itching sensation and helps to control scratching and excessive self-mutilation resulting in the mechanic destruction of the skin.

Dosage and Administration

Cats: 1-4 mg/kg every 12 hours (1/4-1/2 multi-dose tablet for an adult cat every 12 hours).

Dogs: Epilepsy: 2 mg/kg every 12 hours (1/2 tablet every 10 kg of bodyweight every 12 hours). The maximum and minimum ranges are 1-15 mg/kg every 12 hours.

Behavioral disorders: 1-4 mg/kg every 12 hours. It is necessary to allow for an induction period of 8-15 days to reach stable therapeutic levels in blood. Phenobarbital can be used with other anti-epileptic drugs.

After a 6-month treatment, and if no convulsions were observed, the dosage may be reduced. This should be done gradually at a slow pace to avoid the appearance of status epilepticus.

Phenobarbital should be administered on an empty stomach. The suggested dose is for orientation purposes only and produces the expected response in most cases. However, each animal's response to the treatment may vary widely. Higher dosages may be given as determined by the acting veterinarian, but animals must be closely observed to avoid undesirable side effects. After the treatment has been taken for a long period, it may be necessary to increase the dosage or the frequency due to the enzymatic induction effect.

Package

Box containing 30 multi-dose tablets