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Trade Names:

Cefpoderm® (cefpodoxime proxetil) Tablets, Simplicef® Tablets

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WHAT IS THIS DRUG?

3rd generation cephalosporin; an antibiotic

Given by mouth

REASONS FOR PRESCRIBING:

Useful broad-spectrum antibiotic most often prescribed for common and uncomplicated infections

Especially useful against many skin infections

WHAT DOGS/CATS SHOULD NOT TAKE THIS MEDICATION?

Use with caution in pets with kidney failure or a history of seizures

Use with caution in breeding, pregnant or nursing animals

Pets whom have had previous allergic reactions to penicillin, other cephalosporins or antibiotics

DIRECTIONS:

Read and follow the prescription label carefully.

Give the exact amount prescribed and only as often as directed.

Give this medication for as long as your veterinarian directs. Do not skip doses or stop giving the medication without consulting your veterinarian. Missed doses reduce the effectiveness of therapy.

For liquids, shake well before accurately measuring the dose.

Baseline blood work may be recommended to assess your pet's general health before starting this medication. Periodic blood work may be recommended to monitor this medication's effects on the body. Dose adjustments may be made based upon these results and an assessment of how your dog or cat is responding clinically.

Discuss with your veterinarian if this medication is to be given with food. If your pet experiences digestive upset following medication administration, try offering with a small amount of food or a treat.

This medication should take effect within 1 to 2 days. You should see improvements in your pet's clinical signs.

Call ahead for refills.

Ideally, give this medication at the same time(s) daily.

WHAT IF A DOSE IS MISSED?

If a dose is missed, give it as soon as you can. If it is time already for the next dose, skip the missed dose and go back to the normal schedule. Do not give two doses at the same time.

WHAT TO TELL/ASK YOUR VETERINARIAN BEFORE GIVING THIS MEDICATION?

Talk to your veterinarian about:

When will your pet need to be rechecked

What tests may need to be performed prior to and during treatment with this drug

Risks and benefits of using this drug

Tell your veterinarian about:

If your pet has experienced side effects on other drugs/products

If your pet has experienced digestive upset now or ever

If your pet has experienced kidney disease now or ever

If your pet has experienced any other medical problems or allergies now or ever

All medicines and supplements that you are giving your pet or plan to give your pet, including those you can get without a prescription. Your veterinarian may want to check that all of your pet's medicines can be given together.

If your pet is pregnant or nursing or if you plan to breed your pet

STORAGE AND WARNINGS:

Store tablets and powder in a tight, light resistant, childproof container in a cool, dry place at room temperature away from heat and direct sunlight.

Once reconstituted, the oral suspension is stable for two weeks (refrigeration is recommended). Shake well before using.

Keep this and all medication out of reach of children and pets.

Call your physician immediately if you accidentally take this product.

Pet owners who are allergic to penicillin and/or other antibiotics should use caution when handling this drug.

POTENTIAL SIDE EFFECTS:

This medication is usually well tolerated by dogs and cats and is commonly used for several weeks

This medication can affect the gastrointestinal system causing inappetence, vomiting, diarrhea and possible lethargy

Prolonged and high doses can affect the circulating blood cells

Allergic reactions are rare, but if your pet shows irregular breathing, rash, fever, hives, scratching, puffiness or facial swelling or anything else unusual, stop therapy and contact your veterinarian immediately

This short-acting medication should stop working within 24 hours, although effects may last longer in pets with liver or kidney disease

CAN THIS DRUG BE GIVEN WITH OTHER MEDICATIONS?

Yes, but possible interactions may occur when giving Cefpodoxime in conjunction with aminoglycosides (gentamicin, neomycin), amphotericin B, antacids, H2 antagonists (ranitidine, cimetidine), probenecid, proton-pump inhibitors (omeprazole, pantoprazole) and vitamin K antagonists

Drugs other than those listed may also interact with Cefpodoxime

Do not give new food or medications without first talking to your veterinarian

If your pet experiences any unusual reactions when taking multiple medications, contact your veterinarian

WHAT SHOULD I DO IF I KNOW OF OR SUSPECT THERE HAS BEEN AN OVERDOSE?

Contact your veterinarian if your pet eats more than the prescribed amount.

WHAT ELSE SHOULD I KNOW?

As with all prescribed medicines, Cefpodoxime should only be given to the dog/cat for which it was prescribed. It should be given only for the condition for which it was prescribed.

Notify your veterinarian if your animal's condition does not improve or worsens despite this treatment.

This is just a summary of information about Cefpodoxime. If you have any questions or concerns about Cefpodoxime or the condition it was prescribed for, contact your veterinarian.

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