

Lotilaner - Main

Lotilaner - Chewable Tablet (Cats)

Lotilaner - Chewable Tablet (Dogs)

Trade Names:

Credelio™ (lotilaner), Credelio™ CAT (lotilaner)

**GENERAL DESCRIPTION:** Lotilaner is a drug that has activity against adult fleas and certain tick species. Fleas live on your pet causing discomfort and skin irritation while ticks can transmit serious diseases and may pose a health risk to other household members. Lotilaner is available as an oral chewable tablet for dogs and cats.

**WHAT IS THIS DRUG?**

Lotilaner is an ectoparasiticide (insecticide and acaricide) that belongs to the isoxazoline group

It has sustained activity against adult fleas for 4 weeks

It has sustained activity against certain tick species (American Dog tick, Brown Dog tick, Black-legged tick and the Lone Star tick) for 4 weeks

In the cat, it has sustained activity against Black-legged ticks for 4 weeks

Given by mouth

**REASONS FOR PRESCRIBING:**

Used for the treatment and prevention of adult fleas for 4 weeks

Used for the treatment and control of certain tick species for 4 weeks

**WHAT DOGS/CATS SHOULD NOT TAKE THIS MEDICATION?**

Do not give this product to puppies less than 8 weeks of age

For flea control, do not give this product to kittens less than 8 weeks of age

For tick control, do not give this product to kittens less than 6 months of age

Do not give this product to dogs less than 4.4 lbs or 2 kg

Do not give this product to cats less than 2 lbs or 0.9 kg

This product is not effective against internal parasites

This product should be used with caution in pets that have a history of seizures and epilepsy

Animals with a known hypersensitivity or allergy to this or related product should not take this medication

**DIRECTIONS:**

Your veterinarian will determine the appropriate dose based on your pet's current weight. Read and follow the 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.

It is ideal to give this medication 1 month prior to the start of flea season. This medication is then administered every 4 weeks throughout the flea and tick season. Mark your calendar with the dates of subsequent treatments. Pending climate and geographical location, discuss with your veterinarian regarding year-round treatment.

This medication must be administered with food or within 30 minutes of eating. Ensure that your pet consumes the full dose. Wash hands thoroughly with soap and water after use.

Baseline blood work may be recommended to assess your pet's general health before starting this drug.

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

Call ahead for refills.

#### 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. If your pet vomits within 2 hours of dosing, you can give another full dose.

#### WHAT TO TELL/ASK A VETERINARIAN BEFORE GIVING MEDICATION?

Talk to your veterinarian about:

The life cycle of the flea

How to safely remove an attached tick

What are the risks and benefits of using this product

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 liver or 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 medications can be given together.

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

#### STORAGE AND WARNINGS:

Lotilaner should be stored in a childproof container in a cool, dry place at room temperature away from heat and direct sunlight.

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

Call your physician immediately if you accidentally take this product.

#### POTENTIAL SIDE EFFECTS:

This medication is usually well tolerated but can cause increased urination (polyuria), vomiting, diarrhea, inappetence, increased salivation, weight loss, increased heart rate and respiratory rate, lethargy, increased activity, dilated pupils, itchiness (pruritis), increased body temperature, muscle tremors, incoordination, difficulty walking, seizures and an increased kidney enzyme (blood urea nitrogen)

If you notice any of these symptoms or if your pet's condition worsens, contact your veterinarian

This long-acting medication lasts for at least 4-6 weeks but may last longer in pets with kidney or liver disease

#### CAN THIS DRUG BE GIVEN WITH OTHER DRUGS?

Ensure that your veterinarian knows all of the medicines and supplements that you are giving your pet or plan to give your pet, including those you can get without a prescription.

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 and/or a poison control center immediately if your pet receives more than the prescribed amount.

#### WHAT ELSE SHOULD I KNOW?

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

As with all prescribed medicines, Lotilaner should only be given to the pet for which it was prescribed. It should be given only for the condition for which it was prescribed.

When dealing with a flea infestation, it is important to treat all animals within the household and the environment. Speak to your veterinarian about approved and safe products for all household pets. If fleas are already developing in your house, ask your veterinarian to recommend a premises control product as well.

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