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GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Tylosin is an oral macrolide antibiotic used in dogs and cats to treat many infections. Tylosin is available as a powder which can be mixed with your pet's food, or it can be compounded by a special pharmacy into capsules which may be more readily accepted by your pet.

WHAT IS THIS DRUG?

Tylosin is a macrolide antibiotic

Tylosin is given by mouth

REASONS FOR PRESCRIBING:

Primarily used to treat acute or chronic diarrhea (inflammatory bowel disease) or intestinal inflammation

WHAT DOGS/CATS SHOULD NOT TAKE THIS MEDICATION?

Pets known to have had an allergic reaction to Tylosin or other macrolide (erythromycin) antibiotics

Use with caution in pregnant and lactating animals

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. Finish the entire course of treatment. Missed doses reduce the effectiveness of therapy.

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

Tylosin is only available commercially as a powder. Unfortunately, due to its natural bitter taste, hiding it in the pet's food may not be effective. Your veterinarian may instruct you on how to administer the powder mixed in food or water, or perhaps have it compounded into capsules that will be more readily accepted by your pet.

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 will take effect quickly, in about 1 to 2 hours, but its effects may not be visibly noticeable for a few days.

If you have difficulty giving the medication, contact your veterinarian.

Call ahead for refills.

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

WHAT IF 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 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 powder and capsules in a tight, light resistant, childproof container in a dry place at room temperature away from heat and direct sunlight.

Follow label directions regarding expiry date of liquid solutions.

Not for use in horses.

People should not take this product. Keep this and all medication out of reach of children and pets. Call your physician immediately if you accidentally take this product.

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

This medication can create false elevation of liver enzymes during blood testing.

POTENTIAL SIDE EFFECTS:

This medication is usually well tolerated but can cause a decrease in appetite, nausea, vomiting and slight worsening of existing diarrhea

It is important to stop therapy and contact your veterinarian immediately if you think your pet has a medical problem or side effect from this product's therapy

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 given in conjunction with digoxin

Drugs other than those listed may also interact with Tylosin

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 immediately if you pet consumes 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, Tylosin 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.

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