



## Client Information Leaflet

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This medicine has been prescribed or given for your horse or donkey. Medicines that are licensed for use in horses have undergone rigorous testing to ensure that an effective and safe dose is used. However, there is a wealth of experience in the veterinary profession in using medicines that may not have undergone this testing that may be appropriate in certain clinical conditions.

### What is this medicine?

This medicine has been prescribed for treatment of your horse. A package insert (patient information leaflet) designed for the target species will be included in/on the package. This will provide you with details of what the medicine is. Although it is not intended for use in horses, its use is permitted for use in the horse under the 'prescribing cascade' as no suitable alternative exists.

### Why has my horse been prescribed medicine?

Your veterinary surgeon will discuss the details of why this medicine is being used. If you have any questions you should ask your vet to explain what this medicine is being used for.

### How should I store and handle these medicines?

#### For safety, all medicines should be kept out of the reach and sight of children.

The package insert (patient information leaflet) will contain any specific storage instructions and this should be followed even if they do not apply specifically to use in horses.

### What should I do if I run out of this medicine?

Usually your vet will dispense the correct amount of the product. If you run out, you should contact your veterinary surgeon to complete the course as soon as possible. You should not stop treatment suddenly without discussing this with your vet.

**What should I do if I miss a dose?** If a dose is missed just give the next dose at the normal time. DO NOT give a double dose to make up for the missed dose.

### If my horse is not improving what should I do?

Contact your veterinary surgeon who will review whether this is the correct drug for your horse and may consider alternative / concurrent therapies.

### Can my horse take this medicine along with other medicines?

Tell your vet if you are giving your horse any other medicines.

### What do I need to record in my horse's passport?

These medicines are not authorised for use in horses intended for human consumption. If your horse's passport has not been signed to exclude it from the human food you must sign this immediately.

**What should I do if I accidentally overdose my horse?** Contact your vet for advice.

### What are the possible side effects of this medicine in my horse?

Your vet will explain the potential side effects of this medicine. If your horse develops any unusual behaviour, stops eating, stops passing faeces develops colic, diarrhoea or laminitis you should contact your vet before administering any further doses.

**What should I do if a person accidentally takes this medicine?** If a person accidentally takes this medicine you should contact NHS direct (telephone 111) or take the person to a local hospital taking the package insert leaflet and the package with you.

### What should I do if there is left-over medicine at the end of the course of treatment?

You should return any unused medicine to your veterinary surgeon who will arrange for safe disposal. You should not place it within your domestic waste since this may cause pollution of the environment. You should not use this medicine in another horse, even if you believe it to be suffering from the same condition.



The prescribing cascade: This medicine is authorised for use in human patients or other animal species and is used by vets under the 'prescribing cascade'. Your vet can explain this in further detail and explain why they are prescribing this drug for your horse. If you do not agree to the use of this medicine in your horse you should discuss this before administration.