

HOUSEHOLD MEDICATIONS FOR PETS

The following is a list of human medications commonly found in the household. These same products can be used in pets and are especially useful if you can't reach a veterinarian immediately. Listed below are some dosages and common usages.

PRODUCT	CANINE DOSAGE	FELINE DOSAGE	COMMON USE
Buffered Aspirin	5 mg per lb, every 12 hrs	not recommended	pain relief, anti-inflammatory
Vitamin B	1/2 to 2 ml subcutaneously, every 24 hrs	1/2 to 1 ml subcutaneously, every 24 hrs	appetite stimulant
Benadryl	up to 2 mg per pound, every 8 hrs	up to 2 mg per pound, every 8 hrs	treat local allergies, itching, etc.
Dramamine	up to 50 mg, every 8 hrs	up to 10 mg, every 8 hrs	reduce motion / car sickness
Hydrogen Peroxide 3%	10 ml by mouth, every 15 min	10 ml by mouth, every 15 min	induce vomiting after accidental ingestion of a poison
Epinephrine 1:1000	1/10 to 1/2 ml intramuscular or subcutaneously	1/10 to 2/10 ml intramuscular or subcutaneously	treat reactions following insect stings, bites, or medications
Pepto Bismol	1 tsp per 5 pounds, every 6 hrs	not recommended	relief from vomiting, stomach gas, or diarrhea
Di Gel liquid	up to 4 tbs, every 8 hrs	up to 2 tbs, every 8 hrs	antacid and anti-gas
Mineral Oil	up to 4 tbs, daily	up to 2 tsp, daily	eliminate constipation
Kaopectate	1 ml per pound, every 2 hrs	1 ml per pound, every 2 hrs	stop diarrhea
Tylenol (Acetomenophin)	not recommended	not recommended	not recommended
<p>The following are common antibiotics prescribed by veterinarians. Listed are the usual dosages and indications. Please follow the advice of your veterinarian when using antibiotics.</p>			
Amoxicillin	5 mg per pound, every 12 hrs	5 mg per pound, daily	fight bacterial infections
Ampicillin	10 mg per pound, every 6 hrs	10 mg per pound, every 6 hrs	fight bacterial infections
Tetracycline	10 mg per pound, every 8 hrs	10 mg per pound, every 8 hrs	fight bacterial infections
PEN BP - 48	1 cc per 20 pounds, subcutaneously, every 48 hrs	not recommended	treat bacterial infections
Procaine Penicillin	1 ml per 30 pounds, subcutaneously	1 ml per 30 pounds, subcutaneously	fight bacterial infections
Erythromycin	5 mg per pound, every 8 hrs	5 mg per pound, every 8 hrs	fight bacterial infections