



Paracetamol

Pain relief for dogs only

Your vet has prescribed paracetamol for your pet. It reduces pain signals in the brain and spinal cord. The label on your pet's medicine always comes first, so keep this with it and ask us anything you're unsure about.

What is it used for?

- Easing mild to moderate pain in dogs, often alongside other pain relief.

How quickly does it work?

- It starts working within about an hour.

How do I give it?

- Give exactly as the label says, with or without food.
- Only use the product and dose we prescribe. Never top up with human medicines.

What if I miss a dose?

- Give it when you remember, unless the next dose is nearly due. In that case skip the missed one.
- Never give two doses together to catch up.
- If your pet vomits soon after a dose, call us before giving another.

Possible side effects

- Most dogs have no side effects at the correct dose.
- Occasionally, vomiting or reduced appetite.

Monitoring and check-ups

- Your vet may check liver values if your dog takes it long term.

Important things to know

- **Paracetamol is highly poisonous to cats, even in tiny amounts. Never give it to a cat.**
- Keep your dog's tablets well away from any cats in the house.
- Don't use human products containing codeine, caffeine or other ingredients.
- Tell your vet about any other medicines, supplements or flea and worm treatments your pet has.
- Store safely out of reach of children and other pets. This medicine is for your pet only.

Your questions answered

- **Can I use my own paracetamol?** Only if your vet has told you the exact product and dose.
- **What if my cat licks a tablet?** Call us immediately, even if your cat seems fine.

Call us straight away on 01843 808344 (24/7) if:

- A cat has eaten any paracetamol. This is an emergency.
- Your dog vomits repeatedly, has yellow or brown gums, or a swollen face or paws.
- You think your pet (or anyone else) has taken too much.

Mango's Top Tip

Store dog-only medicines in a clearly labelled box. It's a simple step that could save a cat's life.