



Phenoxybenzamine

Relaxes muscles to help with peeing and blood pressure

Your vet has prescribed phenoxybenzamine for your pet. It relaxes the smooth muscle around the bladder outlet and in blood vessel walls. 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?

- Relaxing the muscles around the bladder outlet to make peeing easier.
- Controlling high blood pressure from some adrenal gland tumours.

How quickly does it work?

- It can take several days to reach full effect.

How do I give it?

- Give exactly as the label says, with or without food.
- Wear gloves to handle capsules and wash your hands afterwards.

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

- Low blood pressure, which may cause weakness or wobbliness.
- Nasal congestion, red eyes or a fast heartbeat.
- Occasionally, vomiting.

Monitoring and check-ups

- Your vet will check how easily your pet pees and monitor blood pressure.

Important things to know

- Anyone who is pregnant should not handle this medicine.
- It can take a few days to see the full effect.
- 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

- **Why the gloves?** It shouldn't be handled with bare hands, as a precaution.
- **Is it used with other medicines?** Often, yes, such as a muscle relaxant.

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

- **Your pet can't pee or only passes drops.** This is an emergency, especially in male cats.
- Your pet collapses or faints.
- You think your pet (or anyone else) has taken too much.

Mango's Top Tip

Keep a toilet diary: when, how much, and any straining. It helps us tell if the treatment is working.