



Sotalol

Helps control an irregular heartbeat

Your vet has prescribed sotalol for your pet. It slows the electrical signals in the heart and blocks adrenaline, helping to prevent abnormal beats. 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?

- Treating certain abnormal heart rhythms, especially in some breeds such as Boxers.

How quickly does it work?

- It starts working within hours.

How do I give it?

- Give exactly as the label says, with or without food.
- Try to give it at the same times each day.

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.
- Don't stop this medicine suddenly unless your vet tells you to.
- If your pet vomits soon after a dose, call us before giving another.

Possible side effects

- Tiredness or weakness.
- Slow heartbeat or low blood pressure.

Monitoring and check-ups

- Heart checks, including ECGs or a 24-hour heart monitor, may be needed.
- ECGs or 24-hour heart monitors are used to check the dose.

Important things to know

- **Don't stop it suddenly.** Your vet will advise on changes.
- 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 Boxers?** Some Boxers inherit a heart rhythm condition that responds well to sotalol.
- **Is it for life?** Usually, yes.

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

- Your pet faints, collapses or seems very weak.
- Your pet has difficulty breathing.
- You think your pet (or anyone else) has taken too much.

Mango's Top Tip

If your pet faints, note the time and what they were doing. Even better, film any episodes to show us.