



Pentoxifylline

Improves blood flow to the skin

Your vet has prescribed pentoxifylline for your pet. It makes red blood cells more flexible and reduces inflammation, improving blood flow through tiny vessels. 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 skin conditions caused by inflammation of small blood vessels (vasculitis).
- Sometimes used for other inflammatory skin or ear conditions.

How quickly does it work?

- It usually takes several weeks to see an improvement.

How do I give it?

- Give with food, exactly as the label says.
- Don't crush slow-release tablets.
- It may take a few weeks to see an improvement.

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

- Vomiting or reduced appetite.
- Occasionally, restlessness or excitement.

Monitoring and check-ups

- Your vet will recheck the skin and may take photos to track progress.

Important things to know

- Tell your vet before surgery, as it can affect blood clotting.
- 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

- **Is it safe long term?** Yes, many pets take it for months.
- **Can it be crushed?** Not slow-release tablets. Ask us for alternatives.

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

- Your pet has unusual bleeding or bruising.
- Your pet keeps vomiting.
- You think your pet (or anyone else) has taken too much.

Mango's Top Tip

Take photos of the skin each week. It's the best way to spot gradual improvement.