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**PRESCRIPTION ANIMAL REMEDY
KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN
FOR ANIMAL TREATMENT ONLY**

Metacam®

15 mg/mL Oral Suspension for Horses



Composition

Each mL contains 15 mg meloxicam.

Indications

Alleviation of inflammation and relief of pain in both acute and chronic musculo-skeletal disorders.

Directions for Use

Contraindications

Contraindicated for use in pregnant or lactating mares as no data has been established.

Contraindicated for use in horses less than 6 weeks of age.

The use of the product is contraindicated in animals suffering from gastrointestinal disorders such as irritation and haemorrhage, impaired hepatic, cardiac or renal function and haemorrhagic disorders, or where there is evidence of individual hypersensitivity to the product.

Contraindicated for concurrent administration with glucocorticoids or other non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, or with anti-coagulant agents.

Precautions

Avoid use in any dehydrated, hypovolaemic or hypotensive animals, as there is a potential risk of renal toxicity.

If adverse reactions occur, treatment should be discontinued and the advice of a veterinarian should be sought.

Side Effects

In clinical trials some side effects consistent with the use of Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Drugs (NSAIDs) were observed such as slight urticaria and diarrhoea. Symptoms were reversible. In very rare cases loss of appetite, lethargy, abdominal pain and colitis have been reported. In very rare cases anaphylactoid reactions which may be serious (including fatal) may occur and should be treated symptomatically. If adverse reactions occur, treatment should be discontinued and the advice of a veterinarian should be sought.

Dosage and Administration

Discard after 6 months after initial use when stored below 25°C (air conditioning).

Shake well before use.

To be administered at a dosage of 0.6 mg/kg bodyweight, once daily, up to 14 days.

To be administered either mixed with a small quantity of food, prior to feeding, or directly into the mouth. The suspension should be given using the Metacam measuring syringe provided in the package. The syringe fits onto the bottle and has a kg bodyweight scale. Avoid introduction of contamination during use.

Calculate dose correctly, weigh horse or accurately estimate bodyweight, measure and administer carefully according to good veterinary practice.

Overdose

In case of overdosing a symptomatic treatment should be initiated.

MEAT WITHHOLDING PERIOD (HORSES): DO NOT USE less than 28 days before slaughter for human consumption.

First Aid

If poisoning occurs, contact a doctor or Poisons Information Centre. *Phone Australia 131 126; New Zealand 0800 764 766 (0800 POISON).*

Disposal

Dispose of empty container by wrapping in paper and putting in garbage.

Storage

Store below 25° C (air conditioning)

Packaging

Polyethylene bottle containing either 100 mL or 250 mL with a polyethylene tip adapter and a polypropylene measuring syringe.

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It is an offence for users of this product to cause residues exceeding the relevant MRL.

See www.foodsafety.govt.nz for registration conditions.

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