

Household Medications for Pets

The following is a list of human medications commonly found in the household. These same products may be used with pets. As with any medical condition, however, it is always best to consult your veterinarian.

Product	Canine Dosage	Feline Dosage	Common Use
Buffered Aspirin	5 mg per pound every 12 hours, best taken on full stomach	Not recommended	pain relief, anti-inflammatory
Vitamin B	1/2 to 2 ml subcutaneously every 24 hours	1/2 to 1 ml subcutaneously every 24 hours	used as an appetite stimulant
	1 to 2 mg per pound body weight every 8 hours	same as canine dosage	treat allergies, itching, reaction to insect stings, etc.
Chlorpheniramine	4 mg every 12 hours	Not recommended	treat allergies, itching, etc..
Dramamine	up to 50 mg every 8 hours	up to 10 mg every 8 hours	used to reduce car sickness
Hydrogen Peroxide 3%	10 ml by mouth every 15 minutes	same as canine dosage	used to induce vomiting after accidental ingestion of a poison
Epinephrine 1:1,000	1/10 to 1/2 ml intramuscular or subcutaneously	1/2 to 2/10 ml intramuscular or subcutaneously	used to treat reactions following insect stings bites or medications

Pepto Bismol	1 tsp. per 5 pounds every 6 hours	Not recommended	used to relieve vomiting or stomach gas, diarrhea
Di Gel Liquid	up to 4 tbs. every 8 hours	up to 2 tbs every 8 hours	antacid and anti-gas
Maalox	Same as Di Gel	Not known	antacid and anti-gas
Mineral Oil	up to 4 tbs daily	up to 2 teaspoons daily	used to eliminate constipation
Kaopectate	1 ml per pound every 2 hours	same as canine dosage	for diarrhea
Tylenol (acetaminophen)	Not recommended	Not recommended	NA
Ibuprophen, Motrin, Nuprin	Not recommended	Not recommended	NA
Imodium	follow child dosage	Not recommended	for diarrhea

The following are common antibiotics prescribed by veterinarians. Listed is the usual dosage and indications. Please follow the advise of your veterinarian when using antibiotics.

Product	Canine Dosage	Feline Dosage	Common Use
Amoxicillin	5 mg per lb every 12 hours	5 mg per lb daily	used to fight bacterial infections
Ampicillin	10 mg per lb every 6 hours	same as canine dosage	used to fight bacterial infections
Tetracycline	10 mg per lb every 8 hours	same as canine dosage	used to fight bacterial infections
PEN BP-48 (each ml - 150,000 units Penicillin G. Benzathine and 150,000 units Penicillin G. Procaine)	1 cc per 20 lbs every 48 hours subcutaneously	Not recommended	used to treat bacterial infections
Procaine Penicillin 300,000 units per ml	1 ml per 30 lbs subcutaneously	same as canine dosage	antibiotic to fight bacterial infections
Erythromycin tablets	5 mg per lb every 8 hours	same as canine dosage	antibiotic to fight bacterial infections