

Milbemax Tablets for Small Cats and Kittens/Milbemax Tablets for Cats

Introduction



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Presentation

MILBEMAX* tablets for Small cats and kittens: Film coated tablet. Oblong shaped, beige to brown, artificial beef flavoured tablet with a score on both sides, containing 4mg of Milbemycin oxime and 10mg Praziquantel per tablet. One side bears the imprint "BC", the other side "NA".

MILBEMAX* tablets for Cats: Film coated. Oblong shaped, reddish to reddish brown, artificial beef flavoured tablets with a score on both sides, containing 16mg of Milbemycin oxime and 40mg Praziquantel. One side bears the imprint "KK", the other side "NA".

Uses

In cats: treatment of mixed infections by immature and adult cestodes **and** nematodes of the following species:

Cestodes: *Dipylidium caninum*, *Taenia spp.*, *Echinococcus multilocularis*

Nematodes: *Toxocara cati*, *Ancylostoma tubaeforme*

Prevention of heartworm disease (*Dirofilaria immitis*) if concomitant treatment against cestodes is indicated.

Dosage and administration

MILBEMAX tablets are administered at a minimum recommended dose rate of 2 mg milbemycin oxime and 5 mg praziquantel per kg body weight, given orally as a single dose.

The product should be administered with or after some food. Doing so ensures optimum protection against heartworm disease.

Depending on the bodyweight of the cat, the practical dosing is as follows:

Weight	MILBEMAX tablets for small cats and kittens	MILBEMAX tablets for cats
0.5 – 1 kg	½ tablet	
> 1 – 2 kg	1 tablet	
> 2 – 4 kg		½ tablet
> 4 – 8 kg		1 tablet
> 8 – 12 kg		1 ½ tablets

MILBEMAX can be inserted into a programme for prevention of heartworm disease if at the same time treatment against tapeworms is indicated. MILBEMAX has a duration of heartworm prevention of one month. For regular prevention of heartworm disease the use of a monosubstance is preferred.

Contra-indications, warnings, etc

Do not use the 'tablets for small cats and kittens' in cats of less than 6 weeks of age and/or weighing less than 0.5 kg

Do not use the 'tablets for cats' in cats weighing less than 2 kg.

Pregnancy and lactation

MILBEMAX can be used in breeding cats including pregnant and lactating queens.

Precautions for use

As per good veterinary practice, animals should be weighed to ensure accurate dosing.

Echinococcosis represents a hazard for humans. In case of Echinococcosis, specific guidelines on the treatment and follow up and on the safeguard of persons have to be followed. Experts or institutes of parasitology should be consulted.

No studies have been performed with severely debilitated cats or individuals with seriously compromised kidney or liver function. The product is not recommended for such animals or only according to a benefit/risk assessment by the responsible veterinary surgeon.

In very rare occasions, especially in young cats, systemic signs (such as lethargy), neurological signs (such as ataxia and muscle tremors) and/or gastrointestinal signs (such as emesis and diarrhoea) have been observed after administration of the veterinary medicinal product.

In case of overdose, in addition to signs observed at the recommended dose drooling was observed. This sign will usually disappear spontaneously within a day.

For animal treatment only.

Wash hands after use.

In the event of accidental ingestion of the tablets, particularly by a child, seek medical advice immediately and show the package leaflet or the label to the doctor.

Storage precautions

Do not store above 25°C.

Keep blister in the outer carton to protect from light.

Shelf-life of the veterinary medicinal product as packaged for sale: 3 years.

Shelf-life after first opening of the immediate packaging: 6 months.

Keep out of the reach and sight of children.

Disposal

Any unused product or waste material should be disposed of in accordance with national requirements.

The product should not enter water courses as this may be dangerous for fish and other aquatic organisms.

Legal category

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Packaging Quantities

Milbemax tablets for small cats and kittens: Box of 5 blisters with 10 tablets in each blister AND box of 2 blisters with 2 tablets in each blister.

Milbemax tablets for cats: Box of 5 blisters with 10 tablets in each blister AND box of 2 blisters with 2 tablets in each blister.

Further information

Milbemycin oxime belongs to the group of macrocyclic lactones and is active against mites, against larval and adult stages of nematodes as well as against larvae of *Dirofilaria immitis*.

The concurrent use of MILBEMAX with selamectin is well tolerated. No interactions were observed when the recommended dose of the macrocyclic lactone selamectin was administered during treatment with MILBEMAX at the recommended dose. In the absence of further studies, caution should be taken in the case of concurrent use of MILBEMAX and other macrocyclic lactones. Also, no such studies have been performed with reproducing animals.

Praziquantel is an acylated pyrazino-isoquinoline derivative active against cestodes and trematodes.

MILBEMAX is effective against *Dirofilaria immitis*, which is endemic in the USA and some parts of continental Europe. The product is also effective against *Echinococcus multilocularis* which is endemic in some parts of continental Europe and prophylactic treatment is required in all pets entering the UK under the PETS scheme or under quarantine conditions.

Marketing authorisation numbers

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