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# **BEXAGLIFLOZIL**

## **(Brand Name: Bexacat)**

**STRENGTH:** 15 mg Tablets

**ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION:** ORAL

May be given with or without food. Cats only.

**ACTION OF MEDICATION:** SGLT -2 Inhibitor used in the treatment of cats with diabetes mellitus. Prevents glucose from being reabsorbed back into the body during urine production. Large amounts of glucose are thus lost in urine thus facilitating blood glucose control without insulin.

**MOST COMMON SIDE EFFECTS REPORTED:** Vomiting, Diarrhea, and appetite loss which are temporary.

**POTENTIAL SERIOUS SIDE EFFECTS:** Ketoacidosis can result, with or without high blood sugar levels. This is a life threatening situation. Periodic monitoring for complicating conditions is necessary for safe use of this medication. Any cat with weight loss, dehydration, diarrhea that is not readily controlled, persistent appetite loss, or lethargy must be evaluated by the veterinarian as soon as possible. Hospitalization is required for ketoacidosis and the cat must be managed with insulin.

Hepatic lipidosis (fatty liver) is also a potentially life-threatening side effect.

**STORAGE:** Store at room temperature, away from light.

**OTHER INFORMATION:** Diabetic cats must be carefully screened as appropriate patients for bexagliflozil and must be carefully monitored for complicating conditions requiring a switch to insulin injection therapy. Be sure you understand the monitoring required with use of this medication. For more details, please see the link below.

For a more detailed presentation, visit:

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