## **DILTIAZEM**

(BRAND NAMES: Cardizem, Dilacore)

**STRENGTH:** 20 mg, 60 mg, 90 mg, 120 mg Tablets; 120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg, 300 mg, 360 mg, 420 mg Extended Release Tablets and Capsules

**ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION: ORAL** 

May be given with or without food.

**ACTION OF MEDICATION:** Calcium Channel Blocker used to slow the heart rate and/or drop blood pressure.

**MOST COMMON SIDE EFFECTS REPORTED:** Upset stomach (generally mitigated by giving medication with food), slowed heart rate. These should be minor effects if present. Weight loss can result over 2-6 months.

**SEVERE SIDE EFFECTS REPORTED:** Collapse if heart rate or blood pressure drops too low, skin rashes, jaundice.

**STORAGE:** Keep away from light and store at room temperature. Do not refrigerate.

**IF YOU MISS A DOSE:** Do not double up on the next dose. Simply give the medication when it is remembered or pick up with the next dose, allowing at least the proper interval between doses according to the label instructions.

**OTHER INFORMATION:** Many drug reactions are possible so be sure your veterinarian is aware of all medications in use. For details, see the link below.

For a more detailed presentation, visit:

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