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ENROFLOXACIN

**(Brand Names:
Baytril, Enroquin, Zobuxa)**

STRENGTH: 22.7mg, 68mg, 136mg Tablets.

ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION: ORAL. Works best if given on an empty stomach. In particular, avoid using cheese to give this medication as the calcium can interfere with absorption into the body. Can be given with food if GI side effects are an issue (see below).

ACTION OF MEDICATION: Antibiotic best used on gram negative bacterial infections. Interferes with coiling of bacterial DNA. Not a first line antibiotic.

MOST COMMON SIDE EFFECTS REPORTED: Nausea, diarrhea, and appetite loss. These effects are generally not serious and can be mitigated by giving the medication with food. Enrofloxacin can form urinary crystals, especially in dehydrated patients. This is generally not serious and is not common but is worth mentioning.

SEVERE SIDE EFFECTS REPORTED: In cats, can cause blindness in higher doses. If a cat on enrofloxacin develops dilated pupils or is seen bumping into objects, report this to your vet at once. Causes cartilage damage if given to growing puppies. Can cause nervous system stimulation which could induce seizures in patients with known seizure disorders. Strep. canis bacteria can interact with enrofloxacin to cause "necrotizing fasciitis."

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: For information on drug interactions, see the link below.

For a more detailed presentation, visit:

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