

Amoxycare 200mg Tablets

Introduction



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Presentation

Amoxycare 200 Tablets are prepared as off-white circular tablets scored on one face. The tablets contain 200 mg amoxicillin as Amoxicillin Trihydrate in a highly palatable base. Chemically, amoxicillin is 6[D-(α -) amino-p-hydroxyphenylacetamido] penicillanic acid.

Uses

Amoxicillin is a broad spectrum semi-synthetic penicillin, bactericidal in action. *In vitro* it is effective against a wide range of Gram-positive and Gram-negative bacteria found in dogs and cats which include: *Bacillus cereus*, *Bordetella bronchiseptica*, *Corynebacterium* spp., *Citrobacter freundii*, *Chromobacter* spp., *Escherichia coli*, *Flavobacter* spp., *Proteus mirabilis*, *Pasteurella* spp., including *P. multocida*, *Salmonella* spp., Staphylococci (penicillin-sensitive strains) and Streptococci.

Amoxycare 200 Tablets are suitable for use in dogs and cats for the control of infections caused by susceptible organisms including: infections of the alimentary tract, respiratory tract and urogenital tract, eye and ear infections, and skin and wound infections.

Use of the product should be based on susceptibility testing of the bacteria isolated from the animal. If this is not possible, therapy should be based on local epidemiological information.

Dosage and administration

Administer orally by hand.

The recommended dose, 10 mg amoxicillin/kg bodyweight twice daily for seven days.

The following is intended as a guide:

Dogs per 10 kg:	$\frac{1}{2}$ x 200 mg tablet twice daily for 7 days.
or per 20 kg:	1 x 200 mg tablets twice daily for 7 days.

To ensure the correct dosage, bodyweight should be determined as accurately as possible to avoid underdosing. As high blood levels are achieved immediately after oral dosing parenteral antibiotic treatment may not be necessary.

Amoxycare 200 Tablets are often accepted from the hand, however for the treatment of fastidious animals the tablets may be crushed and added to a little food. Any remaining medicated feed should be disposed of at the end of the day.

Contra-indications, warnings, etc

Amoxycare 200 Tablets should not be given to penicillin sensitive animals.

As with other penicillins, amoxicillin should not be used orally or parenterally in rabbits, guinea pigs, hamsters or gerbils. Caution is advised when used in any other very small herbivores.

Operator warning – Penicillin/Cephalosporin sensitivity

Penicillins and cephalosporins may cause hypersensitivity (allergy) following injection, inhalation, ingestion, or skin contact. Hypersensitivity to penicillins may lead to cross reactions to cephalosporins and vice versa. Allergic reactions to these substances may occasionally be serious.

1. Do not handle this product if you know you are sensitised, or if you have been advised not to work with such preparations.
2. Handle this product with great care to avoid exposure taking all recommended precautions.
3. If you develop symptoms following exposure such as a skin rash, you should seek medical advice and show the doctor this warning. Swelling of the face, lips or eyes or difficulty with breathing, are more serious symptoms and require urgent medical attention.

Wash hands after use.

Pharmaceutical precautions

Store in a dry place. Do not store above 25°C.
Keep out of reach of children.

Legal category

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Packaging Quantities

Amoxycare 200 Tablets are supplied in plastic tubs of 500 tablets.

Disposal

Dispose of any unused product and empty containers in accordance with guidance from your local waste regulation authority.

Further information

Nil.

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