

DOCTORS FOSTER^{and}SMITH[®] PHARMACY

Patient Information Sheet

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For questions or to consult with a pharmacist, call 1-800-447-3021 Mon-Fri from 9am-6pm CST and Sat from 9am-1pm CST. If you have an emergency situation, please contact your local veterinarian immediately.

Methocarbamol

(Robaxin, Robaxin-V)

Common Drug Name

Methocarbamol

Common Brand Names

Robaxin, Robaxin V

Generic products are available.

Storage

Store at room temperature in a tight, light resistant, childproof container.

Uses

Methocarbamol is a muscle relaxant. It is used to treat muscle spasms in a number of animal species.

Dose and Administration

Always follow the dosage instructions provided by your veterinarian. If you have difficulty giving the medication, contact your veterinarian.

If you miss a dose, give it as soon as you remember. If it is almost time for the next dose, skip the one you missed and go back to the regular schedule. Do not give 2 doses at once.

This medication should only be given to the pet for whom it was prescribed.

Possible Side Effects

The most common side effect is drowsiness. May see weakness, stumbling, and incoordination. May also cause drooling and vomiting. Consult your veterinarian if you notice any of these side effects.

If your pet experiences an allergic reaction to the medication, signs may include facial swelling, hives, scratching, sudden onset of diarrhea, vomiting, shock, seizures, pale gums, cold limbs, or coma. If you observe any of these signs, contact your veterinarian immediately.

Precautions

Not for use in animals hypersensitive (allergic) to methocarbamol, or guaifenesin (an ingredient in many cough syrups).

The safety of using methocarbamol in pregnant or lactating animals (female animals nursing their young) has not been determined.

Use with caution in working animals, as it may have sedative effects, and cause extreme drowsiness.

Consult with your veterinarian regarding physical examinations or laboratory testing necessary prior to and during treatment with methocarbamol.

Drug, Food and Test Interactions

Consult your veterinarian before using methocarbamol with any other medications, including vitamins and supplements, since interactions may occur.

Sedative effects will be increased if used with other drugs that cause drowsiness.

Signs of Toxicity/Overdose

An overdose generally causes extreme sedation, incoordination and loss of reflexes. In cats and dogs may also see drooling and vomiting.

If you know or suspect your pet has had an overdose, or if you observe any of these signs in your pet, contact your veterinarian immediately.

Keep this and all other medications out of the reach of children and pets.