Vintage and Alexander-Wallace Veterinary Practice

Frusol syrup

A liquid diuretic (water tablet)

Your vet has prescribed frusol syrup for your pet. It makes the kidneys remove more salt and water, reducing fluid build-up in the lungs and body. The label on your pet's medicine always comes first, so keep this with it and ask us anything you're unsure about.

What is it used for?

- Removing excess fluid from the body, especially in heart failure.
- Frusol is a liquid form of furosemide, which is easier to give accurately to small pets.

How quickly does it work?

- It starts working within an hour.

How do I give it?

- Measure the dose carefully with the syringe supplied.
- It can be given with or without food.
- Always leave fresh water available.

What if I miss a dose?

- Give it when you remember, unless the next dose is nearly due. In that case skip the missed one.
- Never give two doses together to catch up.
- Don't stop this medicine suddenly unless your vet tells you to.
- If your pet vomits soon after a dose, call us before giving another.

Possible side effects

- Increased thirst and urination. This is expected.
- Dehydration or low potassium if too much is given.

Monitoring and check-ups

- Regular blood tests will check kidney values and salts.
- The first check is usually a week or so after starting or after any dose change.
- Counting resting breathing at home helps your vet adjust the dose.

Important things to know

- Your pet will need to pee more often, so plan extra toilet breaks.
- Don't stop it suddenly unless your vet tells you to.
- Tell your vet about any other medicines, supplements or flea and worm treatments your pet has.
- Store safely out of reach of children and other pets. This medicine is for your pet only.

Your questions answered

- **Should I limit water?** No. Always leave plenty of fresh water available.
- **Why liquid?** It allows small, accurate doses for small pets.

Call us straight away on 01843 808344 (24/7) if:

- Your pet's breathing becomes fast or laboured, or they cough more.
- Your pet is very weak, stops eating or vomits.
- Your pet stops drinking or seems dehydrated.
- You think your pet (or anyone else) has taken too much.

Mango's Top Tip

Morning doses mean more pee breaks in the day and a better night's sleep for everyone!

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All Is Well

General guidance only, not a substitute for veterinary advice. Always follow the instructions on your pet's prescription label.