

Useful tips

Pets' Parasites Formula.

The Pets' Parasites Formula is a very versatile product, which can be used in many ways in the care of pets, but also in their environment. Here are some tips for using it.

Pet Care.

Animal species:

This preparation is well tolerated in pets of all ages and of all species, in good health, following the instructions provided on the leaflet. For very young, or difficult pets, or pets deemed more sensitive than others, it is recommended to begin using it in diluted forms, in order to get them used to it.

If in doubt about the health of your pet, seek advice from your veterinarian.

How to apply the Formula:

For external use only. Two methods are widely used: spot-on and sprays.

Spot-on : it consists in pouring a few drops in the back of the base of the neck of the animal, on the skin, by spreading well the coat, between the shoulder blades. The essential oils diffuse within the greasy film that protects the skin, and spread to cover all the skin. There is a variable delay between the start of the applications, and the optimal protection, the time needed for the oils to spread, but this protection is quite resistant to water and durable.

Sprays : it consists in vaporizing the animal very meticulously, with a dilution of the essential oils, petting it, to impregnate the coat and the skin as much as possible, on its whole body. This method offers an immediate optimal protection, but the protection is of shorter duration, less resistant to evaporation and water.

Prevention:

The method of choice is the spot-on. By applying the oils every week for one month, then every other week, then every month, to "recharge" the protection. If the need for protection is urgent, it is advisable to also spray the animal for the time it takes for the spot-on prevention to be fully established.

In case of infestation:

The best results are obtained by starting with a shampoo in two applications containing the essential oils, allowing this shampoo to work well for 5 minutes during the second application. That kills the parasites which are present, and also has the advantage of thoroughly cleaning the skin of the animal, to promote the renewal of the greasy film that protects it. It helps the diffusion of the essential oils applied in spot-on, to establish a durable protection. The relay in the protection is carried out by spraying, the time needed for the spot-on protection to be set. *In that situation, the issue of pests in the pets' environment also needs to be addressed (see further).*

Beware: It was also noted that in case of severe infestation, some areas of the broken

skin no longer produce the greasy film, and the oils applied in spot-on do not spread well in those patches, leaving them vulnerable to re-infestation. That reinforces the need for sprays to protect the animal while its skin heals.

Dosages – Frequencies:

Pure, this formula can kill parasites in seconds, but it still acts on them when diluted to 0.01%. The dosages indicated on the leaflet allow to use the product under the best conditions. Experience has shown that it is better to increase the frequency of use, to counter the evaporation of essential oils, than dosages, which increase did not change much in terms of effectiveness. Frequencies may vary depending on the extent of infestation, climate, activity of the animal, and other factors favoring the removal or evaporation of these oils.

The Pets' Parasites Formula can be used with other treatments.

To the best of our knowledge, under the recommended conditions of use, there is no known contraindication. But it is advisable to seek the advice of the veterinarian who prescribed the treatments and knows about your pet's health and medical condition.

In the environment.

Use:

The Parasites Formula can be used to treat the environment of pets in two ways: sprays and diffusion. The sprays allow to act quickly and accurately, the diffusion allows to treat areas which are difficult to access with sprays.

Indoors, it is best to treat vacant rooms, and air them briefly a few hours after treatment, before occupying them again.

Outdoors, it is possible to spray also, to remove parasites from the areas where the pets come out the most often.

Which alcohol to use for dilutions in sprays: the purest alcohol you can find, at least 90% alcohol. In the UK, either the surgical spirit, readily available, or some isopropyl (rubbing) alcohol with 90%, or more, alcohol, available in some stores or online.

To know:

The essential oils contained in this formula, as well as their synthetic counterparts, are effective on adult parasites and most larvae. But like their chemical counterparts, they act very little on larvae at the stage of pupae, and almost not on eggs.

Treatments should be repeated every 10 to 15 days, when these eggs hatch or the pupae become active, to break the cycle of those parasites, preventing them from becoming adults, feeding, and reproducing themselves.

Indoors, a vacuum cleaning of the floors, carpets, and other fabrics that can host these parasites and their offspring, is also to be performed, to accelerate the results.

Those tips come from science, but also from feedback from users, individuals, breeders, animal shelters, and other professionals. Do not hesitate to contact us if you wish to contribute to this work using your experiences! Thank you.