# PRESCRIPTION ANIMAL REMEDY KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN FOR ANIMAL TREATMENT ONLY

## **NOROCLAV Tablets**

### for Dogs and Cats

#### PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

NOROCLAV Tablets are presented as circular, pink tablets for oral administration to animals. Each tablet contains clavulanic acid as potassium clavulanate and amoxycillin as amoxycillin trihydrate Ph Eur in a palatable base.

Each 50 mg tablet contains 40 mg amoxycillin and 10 mg clavulanic acid. Each 250 mg tablet contains 200 mg amoxycillin and 50 mg clavulanic acid.

#### **INDICATIONS**

NOROCLAV Tablets for Dogs and Cats have a notably broad spectrum of bactericidal activity against the bacteria commonly found in dogs and cats.

#### Mode of Action

Resistance to many antibiotics is caused by  $\beta$ -lactamase enzymes that destroy the antibiotic before it can act on the bacteria themselves. The clavulanate in NOROCLAV Tablets for Dogs and Cats counteracts this defence mechanism by inactivating the  $\beta$ -lactamases, thus rendering the bacteria sensitive to amoxycillin's rapid bacterial effect at concentrations readily attainable in the body.

*In vitro*, NOROCLAV Tablets for Dogs and Cats are active against a wide range of clinically important gram-positive and gram-negative aerobic and anaerobic bacteria, including:

**Gram-positive:** Staphylococci (including most β-lactamase producing strains), Corynebacteria, Streptococci.

**Gram-negative:** Escherichia coli (including most β-lactamase producing strains), Salmonellae (including most β-lactamase producing strains), Bordetella bronchiseptica, Klebsiella spp, Pasteurella spp, Proteus spp.

NOROCLAV Tablets for Dogs and Cats are not indicated for the treatment of cases involving *Pseudomonas* spp.

Clinically NOROCLAV Tablets for Dogs and Cats have been shown to be effective in treating a wide range of diseases of cats and dogs including: skin disease (including deep and superficial pyodermas); soft tissue infections (eg. abscesses and anal sacculitis); dental infections (eg. Gingivitis); urinary tract infections; respiratory disease (involving upper and lower respiratory tract); enteritis.

#### **DIRECTIONS FOR USE**

Do not administer to small herbivores (eg. rabbits or guinea pigs) or animals with a history of allergic reactions to penicillins.

#### **Dosage**

**For oral administration only.** NOROCLAV Tablets for Dogs and Cats are often accepted from the hand even by sick dogs and cats. Alternatively, the tablets may be crushed and added to a little food.

A standard dose rate of 12.5 mg/kg bodyweight twice daily is recommended.



The following table is intended as a guide to dispensing NOROCLAV Tablets for Dogs and Cats:

Bodyweight(kg)	Number of tablets per dose twice daily	
	50 mg	250 mg
1 - 2	1/2	_
3 - 5	1	_
6 - 9	2	_
10 - 13	3	_
14 - 16	4	-
19 - 25	-	1
26 - 35	-	11/2
36 - 49	-	2
50	_	3

For the majority of infections, including those of the skin and soft tissue, urinary tract and gastrointestinal tract, the above dosage regimen is effective. Refractory cases however, particularly those of the respiratory tract, have shown improved cure rates by doubling the dose to 25 mg/kg bodyweight twice daily.

**Note:** The smallest animals of 1 kg bodyweight when dosed with ½ tablet will already be receiving the doubled (25 mg/kg) dose rate.

#### **Duration of Therapy:**

Routine cases involving all indications: The majority of cases respond to between 5 and 7 days therapy.

Chronic or refractory cases: In these cases where there is considerable tissue damage, a longer course of therapy may be required in that it allows sufficient time for damaged tissue to repair. Based on clinical trials, the following durations are suggested as guidelines.

Chronic skin disease from 10-20 days
Chronic cystitis from 10-28 days
Respiratory disease from 8-10 days

#### FIRST AID:

If poisoning occurs, contact a doctor or Poisons Information Centre. *Phone Australia 131126.* 

#### PRESENTATION:

NOROCLAV 250 mg Tablets For Dogs and Cats are presented in tubs of 100 and 250 tablets and cartons of 50 or 250 blister packed tablets.

NOROCLAV 50 mg Tablets For Dogs and Cats are presented in tubs of 100, 250 and 500 tablets and cartons of 50 or 250 blister packed tablets.

**Dispose** of empty container by wrapping with paper and putting in garbage.

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50 mg tablets: 54394/0804

Storage: Store at 25°C (Air Conditioning) in a dry place.

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