COMFORTIS®-Cats
(spinosad)
Chewable Tablets

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For information on cats, see reverse side.

Your veterinarian has chosen to prescribe COMFORTIS to meet your flea treatment and prevention needs. Controlling fleas is important to the health of your cat. Please read this leaflet, which describes the use of COMFORTIS to treat and prevent flea infestations. If you have any questions about this product, please consult your veterinarian. Additional information can be found at www.comfortis.com.

What is COMFORTIS?
COMFORTIS is a chewable, flavored tablet that you give to your cat to kill fleas and prevent flea infestations for one month. COMFORTIS is for monthly use in cats and kittens 14 weeks of age or older and 2 pounds of body weight or greater.

How is COMFORTIS prescribed by your veterinarian?
Your veterinarian has prescribed this medication to either prevent a flea infestation or to treat an existing flea infestation on your cat.

What should I discuss with my veterinarian regarding COMFORTIS for my cat?
Your veterinarian is your cat’s healthcare expert and can make the best recommendation for medications for your cat. This includes the prevention and treatment of parasites such as fleas that may cause conditions that include flea allergy dermatitis, anemia, and other flea-related problems. Key points of your discussion may include the following:

- Treatment with COMFORTIS may begin at any time of the year, preferably starting one month before fleas become active and continue through the end of the season. In areas where fleas may occur year-round, monthly treatment with COMFORTIS should continue throughout the entire year without interruption.
- If a dose is missed, administer COMFORTIS with food and resume a monthly dosing schedule.
- To minimize the likelihood of flea reinfestation, it is important to treat all animals within a household with an approved flea protection product.
- COMFORTIS is not for use in humans. Like all medications, keep COMFORTIS out of reach of children.
- Make sure your veterinarian is aware of all medications, including over-the-counter (OTC) medications, that you are giving to your cat.

How should I give COMFORTIS to my cat?
Give COMFORTIS with food for maximum effectiveness. COMFORTIS is a chewable tablet that can be consumed by cats when offered just prior to or just after feeding. Alternatively, COMFORTIS may be offered in food or administered like other tablet medications.

Give COMFORTIS with food to help you remember the monthly dosing schedule, stick-on labels are included for your calendar.

What if I give more than the prescribed amount of COMFORTIS to my cat?
COMFORTIS has been tested in many types of cats, and no adverse reactions have been reported. At elevated dose rates, the most severe adverse reaction observed was increased vomiting and loose stool. In the event of possible overdose, contact your veterinarian, who is the healthcare expert for your cat.

Should I restrict either my cat’s activity or contact with my cat after the tablet is consumed?
Since COMFORTIS is an oral formulation, you may maintain normal activities and interactions with your cat.

How quickly will COMFORTIS kill fleas?
In a laboratory study, COMFORTIS killed fleas within 30 minutes and killed 100% of the fleas within 24 hours. COMFORTIS kills fleas before they can lay eggs.

Does seeing fleas on my cat mean that the treatment is not working?
COMFORTIS kills fleas before they are mature and can move to another host. Because each female flea can lay up to 50 eggs per day, there is potential for a large build-up of eggs, larvae and pupae, resulting in a constant supply of new adults emerging in the cat's environment.

Regardless of the product used to kill the fleas, the cat can continue to be exposed to the fleas that live in the environment. When these fleas jump onto the cat, they will be quickly killed by COMFORTIS. If you see fleas on your cat within a month after your cat receives COMFORTIS, it is most likely that these new fleas that have very recently emerged from pupae and jumped onto the dog. These new fleas will quickly be killed before they can produce eggs that contaminate the environment.

Is it safe to give my cat COMFORTIS?
COMFORTIS has been demonstrated to be safe in cats when used according to label directions. Safety was shown in cats and kittens 14 weeks of age and older, in multiple laboratory studies and a field study in household cats. The safe use of COMFORTIS in breeding, pregnant, or lactating cats has not been evaluated.

What side effects might occur with COMFORTIS?
Like all medications, sometimes side effects may occur. In some cases, cats vomited after receiving COMFORTIS, but vomiting occurred within one hour of administration, redose with another full dose. Additional adverse reactions observed in cats include vomiting, decreased appetite, weight loss, and diarrhea.

Can other medications be given while my cat is taking COMFORTIS?
Yes, COMFORTIS has been given safely with a wide variety of products and medications. Your veterinarian should be made aware of all medications, including over-the-counter (OTC) medications, that you are giving to your cat. For heartworm prevention, use products that are specifically prescribed by your veterinarian.

How should COMFORTIS be stored?
Store at 68 to 77°F (20 to 25°C). Temporary periods of time outside of this range between 59 to 86°F (15 to 30°C) are permitted.

COMFORTIS is a chewable, flavored tablet that you give to your dog to kill fleas and prevent flea infestations for one month. COMFORTIS are for monthly use in dogs and puppies 14 weeks of age or older and 3.3 pounds of body weight or greater.

Why has my veterinarian prescribed COMFORTIS?
Your veterinarian has provided this medication to either prevent a flea infestation or to treat an existing infestation on your dog.

What should I discuss with my veterinarian regarding COMFORTIS for my dog?
Your veterinarian is your dog’s healthcare expert and can make the best recommendation for medications for your dog. This includes the prevention and treatment of parasites such as fleas that may cause conditions that include flea allergy dermatitis, anemia, and other flea-related problems. Key points of your discussion may include the following:

- Treatment with COMFORTIS may begin at any time of the year, preferably starting one month before fleas become active and continue through the end of flea season. In areas where fleas may occur year-round, monthly treatment with COMFORTIS should continue throughout the entire year without interruption.
- If a dose is missed, administer COMFORTIS with food and resume a monthly dosing schedule.
- To minimize the likelihood of flea reinfestation, it is important to treat all animals within a household with an approved flea protection product.

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- Make sure your veterinarian is aware of all medications, including over-the-counter (OTC) medications, that you are giving to your dog.

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Is it safe to give my dog COMFORTIS?
COMFORTIS has been demonstrated to be safe in pure and mixed breeds of healthy dogs when used according to label directions. Safety was shown in puppies 14 weeks of age and older and adult dogs in breeding, laboratory studies and clinical studies. Your veterinarian should discuss the use of COMFORTIS with your veterinarian prior to use if your dog has a history of epilepsy (seizures).

How quickly will COMFORTIS kill fleas?
In a laboratory study, COMFORTIS killed adult fleas within 30 minutes and killed adult fleas within 24 hours. COMFORTIS kills adult fleas before they can lay eggs.

Use with caution in breeding females. You should discuss the use of COMFORTIS with your veterinarian prior to use in breeding females. Safe use of COMFORTIS in male dogs intended for breeding has not been evaluated.

What side effects might occur with COMFORTIS?
Like all medications, sometimes side effects may occur. In some cases, dogs vomited after receiving COMFORTIS. When vomiting occurred within one hour of administration, redose with another full dose. Additional adverse reactions observed in dogs include vomiting, decreased appetite, lethargy, diarrhea, cough, increased thirst, vocalization, increased appetite, redness of the skin, hyperactivity and excessive salivation. These reactions were regarded as mild and did not result in any dog being removed from the studies. Since the introduction of COMFORTIS, additional side effects reported are incoordination, itching, trembling and seizures.

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Yes, COMFORTIS has been given safely with a wide variety of products and medications. Your veterinarian should be made aware of all products that you are administering and/or intend to administer to your dog.

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For technical assistance or to report suspected adverse drug events, contact Elanco Animal Health at 1-888-545-5973. For additional information about adverse drug experience reporting for animal drugs, contact FDA at 1-888-FDA-VETS or http://www.fda.gov/AnimalVetinary/SafetyHealth.

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