



Oral Flea Treatments

Where possible please use oral flea treatment rather than spot on products. Here are some pros of using dog flea treatments in tablet form compared to spot-on products:

Ease of Administration - Tablets can be easier to administer for some dogs, especially if they are used to taking treats or medications. This can reduce stress for both the pet and the owner.

Systemic Action - Oral flea treatments work systemically, meaning they enter the bloodstream and can kill fleas at all life stages (including larvae and eggs) more effectively than some topical treatments.

Long-lasting Protection - Many oral flea treatments provide longer-lasting protection, often a month or more, which can be more convenient than applying a spot-on treatment every few weeks.

No Risk of Application Errors - With spot-on treatments, there is a risk of improper application (e.g., not applying it to the skin directly or applying it in the wrong area). Tablets eliminate this risk.

Less Mess - Tablets do not leave any residue on the skin or fur, which can be a concern with spot-on treatments. This can be particularly beneficial for dogs that enjoy swimming or playing in water. It also reduces

Reduced Risk of Skin Reactions - Some dogs may have sensitivities or allergic reactions to the ingredients in topical treatments. Oral medications can reduce the risk of skin irritations.

Convenience for Multi-Pet Households - In households with multiple pets, administering a tablet can be simpler than ensuring each pet receives the correct dose of a topical treatment, especially if they are prone to licking each other.

Less Environmental Contamination - Spot-on treatments can sometimes lead to environmental contamination, especially if the dog comes into contact with other pets or surfaces shortly after application. This includes degradation of bedding materials, sofas and painted surfaces. Tablets do not have this issue.

Variety of Formulations - There are various oral flea treatments available, including those that also provide additional benefits, such as heartworm prevention or treatment for other parasites.

Conclusion

While both tablet and spot-on flea treatments have their advantages, the choice often depends on the individual dog's needs, lifestyle, and any specific health considerations. Always consult with a veterinarian to determine the best option for your pet.