Fucithalmic® Vet with fusidic acid

Brought to you by VetXX – manufacturers of Fucithalmic® Vet viscous eye drops

Fucithalmic Vet contains 1% fusidic acid Ph. Eur.
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**FUCITHALMIC™ VET**

**Presentation** Sterile, viscous drops, white to off-white containing 1% aqueous sustained release formulation of Fusidic Acid and preserved with Benzalkonium Chloride 0.01%. Fucithalmic Vet also contains: Disodium Edetate, Mannitol, Carbomer, Sodium Hydroxide, water for injections.

**Uses** Fucithalmic Vet eye drops are used for the topical treatment of conjunctivitis associated with an infection of your dog’s, cat’s or rabbit’s eye. Fucithalmic Vet contains a well known antibiotic which kills the bacteria causing this infection.

**Dosage and administration** For ease of administration, it is sometimes helpful if one person holds the animal and another person applies the drops. The animal should be held firmly in the sitting position. Small dogs, cats or rabbits should be placed on a table or similar surface.

1. Remove the discharge and debris from the corners and around the eye with a piece of cotton wool moistened with warm water or a ready-made eye lotion.
2. Remove screw cap.
3. Place one hand under the animal’s chin and raise its head up slightly. Hold the head firmly. In the case of a dog, it may be necessary to apply a muzzle to prevent the dog injuring you, or in the case of a cat or rabbit, wrap in a towel if the animal is difficult to restrain. (Ask your vet for advice regarding this).
4. Treat the uninfected eye first if advised to do so by your veterinary surgeon.
5. Whilst holding the tube between the index finger and thumb of your other hand, place the side of this hand on the animal’s head above the eye and use it to pull the upper eyelid upwards to expose the white of the eye. Squeeze one drop of Fucithalmic Vet and allow it to fall onto the eyeball or underneath the upper eyelid making sure that the nozzle does not touch the eye or its surroundings. Then release the eyelid.
6. In some rabbits, it may be easier to pull the lower eyelid down to apply the drop.
7. Repeat this procedure with the infected eye.
8. Replace the screw cap between applications, do not touch the nozzle with your fingers.
9. If twice daily dosing is recommended, repeat this procedure the following morning or evening. If there is no improvement after 5 days following the start of the course of treatment, please contact your vet.

**What should I remember when using the drops?** When the tube is squeezed, Fucithalmic Vet comes out as a thick (viscous) drop. The drop quickly becomes liquid on contact with tear fluid and does not affect the sight.

10. If you forget to use the drops at the right time, use them as soon as you remember. Then go on as before.
11. Complete the normal course as prescribed by your veterinary surgeon, which is usually for one day after the eye has returned to normal.

**Contra-indications, warnings, etc** The drops should not be used if your dog, cat or rabbit is allergic to the ingredients.

12. Use the drops as instructed by your veterinary surgeon, as Fucithalmic Vet should not be used in specific types of conjunctivitis (associated with Pseudomonas spp).
13. Stop using the product if an allergy develops.
14. Do not use the same tube to treat different animals.
15. For external use only.
16. Once the course of treatment is finished, do not use Fucithalmic Vet again except on the advice of your veterinary surgeon.

**Operator warnings:** Wash hands after applying the product.

**General precautions:** For animal treatment only.

**Withdrawal period:** Do not use this product in rabbits intended for human consumption.
Pharmaceutical precautions
Do not store above 25°C. Keep the tube with the cap tightly closed. Keep out of the reach of children.
Do not use after the expiry date on the tube. The tube should be discarded one month after first opening.
Disposal: Dispose of used packaging in the household refuse. Unused product should be returned to the veterinary surgeon.
Legal category POM-V
Packaging Quantities Available in 3 g tubes.

Further information
This product can only be supplied or prescribed by your veterinary surgeon.
This data sheet gives you some helpful information about your pet’s condition. If you have any questions or are not sure about anything, ask your veterinary surgeon.
After using the eye drops you may find a white powder around the eye which is caused when the drops dry out. This is quite normal and is not harmful. It may be wiped off with moist cotton wool.
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