

Client Information Sheet for Rimadyl® (carprofen)

*Review this information with your veterinarian each time your dog receives **Rimadyl injectable solution** or **Rimadyl chewable tablets**. This sheet is provided as a summary and does not take the place of instructions from your veterinarian.*

What is Rimadyl®?

Rimadyl contains the active ingredient carprofen which is a member of the class of drugs known as non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs). This class of drug is used for relief of pain and inflammation.

What should I discuss with my veterinarian before using Rimadyl?

Talk to your veterinarian about your dog's health, past and present, including:

- **General health** – Rimadyl should only be given to healthy dogs.
- **Changes in behavior or health**, including weight loss, if any.
- **Allergies**, past or present, including food, flea, or skin allergies, if any.
- **Past problems with or reactions to vaccines or medications**, if any.
- **Current medications and supplements**, including those you can get without a prescription, if any.

What side effects could occur from use of NSAIDs?

Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) provide important benefits. However, serious but rare side effects have been reported in dogs taking drugs in this class. The most common NSAID-related side effects include decreased appetite, vomiting, diarrhea, dark or tarry stools, increased water consumption, increased urination, pale gums due to anemia, yellowing of gums, skin or white of the eye due to jaundice, lethargy, incoordination, convulsions, or behavioral changes. Serious adverse reactions associated with this drug class can occur without warning and in rare situations result in death.

It is important to contact your veterinarian if you observe *any* signs of illness or intolerance in your dog. Severe reactions require emergency treatment by your veterinarian. Watch your dog for the following possible signs:

- **Change in your dog's appetite.**
- **Vomiting and/or diarrhea**, either with or without blood.
- **Yellowing of the gums, skin or white of the eyes.**
- **Change in drinking or urinating habits.**
- **Convulsions.**
- **Behavioral changes.**

Most reactions occur within the first few days of receiving Rimadyl however, some adverse effects may only appear after prolonged treatment.

IF YOU NOTICE ANY SIGNS OF ILLNESS, OR ANYTHING OUT OF THE ORDINARY AFTER YOUR DOG RECEIVES RIMADYL, it is important to STOP THERAPY and TO CONTACT YOUR VETERINARIAN IMMEDIATELY. If you have additional questions about possible side effects, talk to your veterinarian.

Veterinarian: Please place contact information here.

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