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Your veterinarian has chosen to prescribe RECONCILE chewable tablets along with a simple training plan (a behavioral modification plan) to treat the separation anxiety that affects your dog. Please read this leaflet, which describes the use of RECONCILE chewable tablets. If you have any questions about this information, please consult your veterinarian. Additional information can be found at www.reconcile.com.

What are RECONCILE chewable tablets?

RECONCILE is a chewable, flavored tablet that you give to your dog once a day to treat separation anxiety. It is administered in conjunction with a simple training plan. RECONCILE chewable tablets are for use in dogs and puppies 6 months of age or older, and 8.8 pounds (4.0 kilograms) or greater.

What is Separation Anxiety?

Separation anxiety is a disease in which affected dogs may exhibit certain problematic behaviors when left alone. Dogs are social animals, and naturally become bonded to family members in their household. When separated from these people, certain dogs may experience distress and engage in unacceptable behaviors as a result of the anxiety of separation. The more common behaviors associated with separation anxiety include destruction of household items, barking and/or whining, soiling or urinating in the house, heavy drooling and attempting to escape. RECONCILE chewable tablets, when administered in conjunction with a simple training plan that you undertake at home, have been shown to reduce these detrimental behaviors exhibited by your dog.

What is a Simple Training Plan (Behavior Modification Plan), and why does my dog need one?

Your veterinarian will instruct you on how to incorporate simple training techniques, referred to as “behavior modification.” The combined use of these techniques with RECONCILE chewable tablets has been proven to work faster and better than training alone for the management of separation anxiety.

The simple training plan generally consists of several activities, such as:

- Adapting your dog to your coming and going behavior.
- Teaching your dog to sit and stay and, over time, to be content in your absence.
- Resisting the rewarding of inappropriate attention-seeking behaviors.
- Leaving your dog for short periods, and gradually increasing the time that the dog is left alone.

What does my veterinarian need to know about my dog before I give RECONCILE chewable tablets?

Your veterinarian is your dog’s healthcare expert and can make the best recommendation for medications for your dog. Key points of your visit may include the following:

- A thorough physical examination that may include laboratory analysis of blood and/or urine.
- A discussion of your dog’s complete health history, training history and household environment.
- A discussion of any medications that you are giving now, or have given over the last several months to your dog, including over-the-counter and herbal supplements.

How should I give RECONCILE chewable tablets to my dog?

RECONCILE is a chewable flavored tablet that is readily consumed by most dogs. If your dog does not readily accept the RECONCILE chewable tablet, it may be offered in food or administered like other tablet medications. Follow your veterinarian’s directions regarding how much medication to administer. If a dose is missed, the next scheduled dose should be given as prescribed. Do not increase or double the dose.

If more than the prescribed amount of RECONCILE chewable tablets are given, contact your veterinarian, who is the healthcare expert for your dog.

What can I expect from this therapy?

Some dogs may show improvement within 1-2 weeks of starting treatment with RECONCILE chewable tablets.

Others may take as long as 8 weeks to show improvement. Your veterinarian will monitor the response to RECONCILE chewable tablets and the training plan. If no improvement is noted within 8 weeks, your veterinarian will discuss additional treatment plans for your dog.

RECONCILE chewable tablets work by making your dog more receptive to your training program.

Although some dogs may appear calmer while on RECONCILE chewable tablets, it does not act as a sedative.

What side effects might occur while my dog is taking RECONCILE chewable tablets?

As with all medications, side effects may occur. Your veterinarian can best describe these for you and discuss what to do if you observe any unexpected effects or unusual behavior in your dog. The most serious side effect is seizures (convulsions), which in rare and severe cases can result in death. Based on clinical field studies, some animals may appear more calm or lethargic. Additional side effects that may be observed include:

decreased appetite, vomiting, shaking or shivering, diarrhea, restlessness, excessive vocalization or whining, aggression, ear infections, disorientation, incoordination, constipation, excessive salivation and weight loss.

Can other medications be given while my pet is taking RECONCILE chewable tablets?

Yes, RECONCILE chewable tablets have been given safely with a wide variety of routinely administered products and medications, including vaccines, antibiotics, anti-inflammatories and products used for the control of fleas, intestinal worms and heartworms.

There are a few products and medications that you should not give to your dog before, during or after treatment with RECONCILE chewable tablets because together, they can cause serious side effects. Your veterinarian should be made aware of all products, including over-the-counter and herbal supplements, that you intend to administer to your dog.

What else should I know about RECONCILE chewable tablets?

RECONCILE chewable tablets are not for use in humans. As with all medications, keep RECONCILE chewable tablets out of reach of children.

Close the lid tightly between uses and keep the desiccant cannister (plastic cylinder) in the bottle until the medication is finished.

Store at 68-77°F (20-25°C). Temporary periods of time outside of this range between 59-86°F (15-30°C) are permitted.

If you have questions regarding the use of this product, consult your veterinarian, your pet's healthcare expert. For technical assistance or to report an adverse drug experience, call 1-888-545-5973. Additional information can be found at www.reconcile.com.

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