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Medication Factsheet: Executive Summary

Permitted Therapeutic Medications

The new NCHA Drug Rules are not part of a complete no-drug policy but rather rules for the welfare of the horse.

Within the guidelines listed in the NCHA Rulebook, these 15 therapeutic drugs* can be administered by a licensed veterinarian to a horse with a legitimate injury or illness within 24 hours of showing. For allowed dosage amounts, refer to the **Guidelines** listed in the Medication section of the NCHA Rulebook

It will be considered a rule violation if plasma and/or urine samples contain **more than one of the permitted Nonsteroidal Anti-inflammatory Drugs (NSAIDs)** that are listed below. The exception is Diclofenac (Surpass®) topical which may be combined with one other systemic NSAID listed below under Permitted Medications.

See Medication Fact Sheet for dosage in quantity i.e. milliliters, paste, tablets etc.

Dosage Regimen for NSAIDs:

Phenylbutazone: (Bute, PBZ)

DOSAGE	ROUTE	FREQUENCY	CLINICAL USE	Withdrawal
Up To 2 Grams	IV/Oral	Once Daily	NSAIDs	6 HRS
Up To 1 Gram	IV/Oral	Twice Daily		

Flunixin meglumine: (Banamine®)

DOSAGE	ROUTE	FREQUENCY	CLINICAL USE	Withdrawal
Up To 500 mg	IV/Oral	Once Daily	NSAIDs	6 HRS

Diclofenac: (Surpass®)

DOSAGE	ROUTE	FREQUENCY	CLINICAL USE	Withdrawal
Up To 73 mg	Topical	Twice Daily	NSAIDs	6 HRS

Ketoprofen: (Ketofen®)

DOSAGE	ROUTE	FREQUENCY	CLINICAL USE	Withdrawal
Up To 1 Gram	IV	Once Daily	NSAIDs	6 HRS

Firocoxib: (Equioxx®)

DOSAGE	ROUTE	FREQUENCY	CLINICAL USE	Withdrawal
Up To 45.5 mg	IV/Oral	Once Daily	NSAIDs	6 HRS

Meclofenamic Acid: (Arquel®)

DOSAGE	ROUTE	FREQUENCY	CLINICAL USE	Withdrawal
Up To 0.5 Grams	IV/Oral	Twice Daily	NSAIDs	6 HRS

Naproxen: (Equiproxen®)

DOSAGE	ROUTE	FREQUENCY	CLINICAL USE	Withdrawal
Up To 4 Grams	IV/Oral	Once Daily	NSAIDs	6 HRS

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Dosage Regimen for Other Therapeutic Medications:

Omeprazole: (Gastroguard®)

DOSAGE	ROUTE	FREQUENCY	CLINICAL USE	Withdrawal
Up To 1.62 Grams	Oral	Once Daily	Anti-ulcer	6 HRS

Methocarbamol: (Robaxin®)

DOSAGE	ROUTE	FREQUENCY	CLINICAL USE	Withdrawal
Up To 5.0 Grams	IV/Oral	Twice Daily	Muscle relaxation	6 HRS

Furosemide: (Salix®)

DOSAGE	ROUTE	FREQUENCY	CLINICAL USE	Withdrawal
Up To 500 mg.	IV	Once Daily	Diuretic	4 HRS

Dexamethasone: (Dexject SP®)

DOSAGE See Fact Sheet for Options	ROUTE	FREQUENCY	CLINICAL USE	Withdrawal
Up To 20.0 mg Up To 10.0 mg	IV IV/Oral	Once Daily Once Daily	Corticosteroid	12 HRS 6 HRS

Acepromazine: (PromAce®)

DOSAGE	ROUTE	FREQUENCY	CLINICAL USE	Withdrawal
Up To 5 mg	IV	Once Daily	Sedation	1 HR

Isoxsuprine: (Vasodilan®)

DOSAGE	ROUTE	FREQUENCY	CLINICAL USE	Withdrawal
Up To 1,600 mg	Oral	Twice Daily	Navicular	6 HRS

Acetazolamide:

DOSAGE	ROUTE	FREQUENCY	CLINICAL USE	Withdrawal
Up To 3 Grams	Oral	Once Daily	HYPP	6 HRS

Altrenogest: (Regu-mate®)

DOSAGE	ROUTE	FREQUENCY	CLINICAL USE	Withdrawal
Up To 22 mg	Oral	Once Daily	suppress estrus	6 HRS