



BRIARPOINTE VETERINARY CLINIC

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BUSPIRONE USE IN CATS

Buspirone (Buspar®) is a human antidepressant drug. It has been shown to be effective in a significant number of cats with elimination disorders such as inappropriate urination and other behavior problems.

What is the success rate?

Its success rate is not 100% but, for the intended purpose, it has been shown to be more effective than many other drugs.

Are there any side-effects?

It has been used for several years in cats, and few, if any, side-effects have been noted.

How is it dosed?

Generally, buspirone is given either once or twice daily, every day. Although it comes in tablet form, Buspirone can be formulated in a flavored (usually chicken, fish or liver) chewable or liquid. It may take several weeks to reach peak effect.



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