

# Phenobarbital (Solfoton)

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Phenobarbital is used to control epilepsy and seizures on a long term basis in dogs, cats and other pets. (Epilepsy can NOT be cured, only controlled.) Blood tests are used to monitor the level of drug in the blood and adjust dosage. Do NOT miss a dose. Missing a dose could cause a seizure. Phenobarbital can cause an increase in certain liver tests. Contact your veterinarian if your pet develops jaundice (yellowing of the gums, skin, or whites of the eyes), vomiting, depression, staggering, or weakness while being treated with phenobarbital.

Keep this and all other medications out of the reach of children and pets.

If you think your pet has been poisoned...

Contact your veterinarian or one of the Animal Poison Hotlines (listed below) if you think your pet may have accidentally received or been given an overdose of the medication.

\*\*ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center - 24-hour service available throughout North America.

[www.aspca.org/poison](http://www.aspca.org/poison)

1-888-4ANI-HELP (1-888-426-4435). \$65.00 per case, billed to caller's credit card.

Follow-up calls can be made for no additional charge by dialing 888-299-2973.

There is no charge when the call involves a product covered by the Animal Product Safety Service.

\*\*Pet Poison Helpline - 24-hour service available throughout North America for pet owners and veterinary professionals who require assistance with treating a potentially poisoned pet.

1-800-213-6680 (\$59.00 per incident). Staffed 24-hours a day.

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