

# Potassium Bromide (KBr)

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Potassium bromide is an oral medication used to control seizures and epilepsy in dogs and cats. (Epilepsy can NOT be cured, only controlled.) Sedation is often seen during the first few weeks of treatment. It may take 4-5 months before the full effect of the medication is seen. Do NOT miss a dose. Missing a dose could cause a seizure. Consult your veterinarian if your pet experiences a change in appetite, thirst, weight, urination, or activity level, or jaundice (e.g., yellowing of the gums, skin, or whites of the eyes), vomiting, constipation, or diarrhea develops while your pet is being treated with potassium bromide.

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 National Animal Poison Control Center

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 (\$35.00 per incident). Staffed 24-hours a day.