

Summary of Flea and Tick Products for Cats

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Oral/Systemic Products			
1	Capstar (Elanco)	ACTIVE INGREDIENT	Nitenpyram
		TYPE	Tablet
		PET, MINIMUM AGE	Cats (4 weeks and over 2 pounds), Dogs (4 weeks and over 2 pounds)
		FREQUENCY	As needed, up to once per day
		EFFECTS	Kills fleas
		COMMENTS	Occasionally, dog or cat will start scratching itself as fleas begin to die. The scratching behavior is temporary and is a reaction to the fleas, not the drug. In cats and dogs, it may appear as temporary signs of hyperactivity, panting, vocalization and excessive grooming/licking. May be used together with other products, including heartworm preventives, corticosteroids, antibiotics, vaccines, deworming medications, shampoos and other flea products
	NAME (COMPANY)		
2	Comfortis (Elanco)/ Acuguard (VCA)	ACTIVE INGREDIENT	Spinosad
		TYPE	Chewable tablet
		PET, MINIMUM AGE	Cats (14 weeks and over 2 pounds), Dogs (14 weeks and over 3.3 pounds)
		FREQUENCY	Monthly
		EFFECTS	Kills fleas
		COMMENTS	Administer with food. May be used with other frequently used veterinary products such as vaccines, deworming medications, antibiotics, corticosteroids, shampoos, and other flea products

3	Program (Elanco)	ACTIVE INGREDIENT	Lufenuron
		TYPE	Oral suspension, Chewable tablet
		PET, MINIMUM AGE	Cats (over 6 weeks), Dogs (over 4 weeks)
		FREQUENCY	Monthly
		EFFECTS	Breaks flea life cycle
		COMMENTS	Does not kill adult fleas; breaks the flea life cycle at the egg stage to prevent eggs from developing into adults. Pre-existing immature fleas in the environment may continue to develop and emerge after treatment. Concurrent use of adulticidal insecticides may be used to control adult fleas. Administer with food
	NAME (COMPANY)		
4	Program Injectable (Elanco)	ACTIVE INGREDIENT	Lufenuron
		TYPE	Injection, subcutaneous
		PET, MINIMUM AGE	Cats (over 6 weeks)
		FREQUENCY	6 months
		EFFECTS	Breaks flea life cycle
		COMMENTS	Does not kill adult fleas; breaks the flea life cycle at the egg stage to prevent eggs from developing into adults. Pre-existing immature fleas in the environment may continue to develop and emerge after treatment. Concurrent use of adulticidal insecticides may be used to control adult fleas.
Topical Products			
	NAME (COMPANY)		
5	Activyl (Merck)	ACTIVE INGREDIENT	Indoxacarb
		TYPE	Spot-on

		PET, MINIMUM AGE	Cats (over 8 weeks and over 2 pounds)
		FREQUENCY	30 days
		EFFECTS	Kills fleas
		COMMENTS	Waterproof. Consult a veterinarian before using this product on debilitated, aged, and medicated animals. Do not use on pregnant or nursing animals, or cats intended for breeding.
	NAME (COMPANY)		
6	Advantage (Bayer)	ACTIVE INGREDIENT	Imidacloprid
		TYPE	Spot-on
		PET, MINIMUM AGE	Cats (over 8 weeks), Dogs (over 7 weeks)
		FREQUENCY	Monthly; In case of severe flea infestation, retreatment may be necessary earlier than 4 weeks. Do not retreat more often than once every 7 days.
		EFFECTS	Kills fleas
		COMMENTS	Waterproof. Consult your veterinarian before using this product on debilitated, aged, pregnant or nursing animals or animals on medications
	NAME (COMPANY)		
7	Advantage II (Bayer)	ACTIVE INGREDIENT	Imidacloprid, Pyriproxyfen
		TYPE	Spot-on
		PET, MINIMUM AGE	Cats (over 8 weeks), Dogs (over 7 weeks)
		FREQUENCY	Monthly; In case of severe flea infestation, retreatment may be necessary earlier than 4 weeks. Do not retreat more often than once every 7 days.
		EFFECTS	Kills fleas

		COMMENTS	Waterproof. Consult your veterinarian before using this product on debilitated, aged, pregnant or nursing animals or animals on medications
	NAME (COMPANY)		
8	Advantage Multi (Bayer)	ACTIVE INGREDIENT	Imidacloprid, Moxidectin
		TYPE	Spot-on
		PET, MINIMUM AGE	Cats (over 9 weeks and over 2 pounds), Dogs (over 7 weeks and over 3 pounds), Ferrets (cat product only, for ferrets over 2 pounds)
		FREQUENCY	Monthly
		EFFECTS	Kills fleas. Prevents heartworms and (except in ferrets) controls hookworms, roundworms, whipworms
		COMMENTS	Do not allow pet to lick application site; ingestion may result in serious adverse reactions. Shampooing or water immersion 4 days after application does not reduce flea control effectiveness, but shampooing as often as once weekly may reduce flea control effectiveness.
	NAME (COMPANY)		
9	Catego (Ceva)	ACTIVE INGREDIENT	Dinotefuran, Fipronil, Pyriproxyfen
		TYPE	Spot-on
		PET, MINIMUM AGE	Cats only (over 8 weeks and 1.5 lbs)
		FREQUENCY	Monthly
		EFFECTS	Kills fleas. Kills all life stages of ticks through contact. Protects against Brown dog ticks, American dog ticks, Lone Star ticks, deer ticks
		COMMENTS	For cats only. Do not use on dogs or other animals
	NAME (COMPANY)		

10	Cheristin (Elanco)	ACTIVE INGREDIENT	Spinetoram
		TYPE	Spot-on
		PET, MINIMUM AGE	Cats (over 8 weeks and over 1.8 pounds)
		FREQUENCY	Monthly
		EFFECTS	Kills fleas
		COMMENTS	Consult a veterinarian before using on cats that are medicated, debilitated, aged, obese, pregnant or nursing.
	NAME (COMPANY)		
11	Effipro (Virbac)	ACTIVE INGREDIENT	Fipronil
		TYPE	Spot-on
		PET, MINIMUM AGE	Cats (over 8 weeks)
		FREQUENCY	Monthly (ticks, mosquitoes, flies, lice); 90 days (fleas)
		EFFECTS	Kills fleas; kills brown dog ticks, American dog ticks, lone star ticks, deer ticks. Eliminates chewing lice.
		COMMENTS	Waterproof. Can be used on breeding, pregnant and lactating queens.
	NAME (COMPANY)		
12	Frontline Plus (Merial)	ACTIVE INGREDIENT	Fipronil, Methoprene
		TYPE	Spot-on
		PET, MINIMUM AGE	Cats (over 8 weeks), Dogs (over 6 weeks)
		FREQUENCY	Monthly (ticks, mosquitoes, flies, lice)

		EFFECTS	KILLS fleas; KILLS deer ticks, brown dog ticks, American dog ticks, lone star ticks. Eliminates chewing lice. Aids in control of sarcoptic mites
		COMMENTS	Waterproof. Can be used on breeding, pregnant and lactating bitches and queens.
	NAME (COMPANY)		
13	Frontline Tritak for Cats (Merial)	ACTIVE INGREDIENT	Fipronil, Etofenprox, Methoprene
		TYPE	Spot-on
		PET, MINIMUM AGE	Cats (over 12 weeks and over 3.5 pounds)
		FREQUENCY	30 days
		EFFECTS	Kills fleas; American ticks, brown dog ticks, lone star ticks, deer ticks; chewing lice
		COMMENTS	Waterproof. Consult a veterinarian before using on medicated, pregnant, nursing, debilitated or aged animals.
	NAME (COMPANY)		
14	Revolution (Zoetis)	ACTIVE INGREDIENT	Selamectin
		TYPE	Spot-on
		PET, MINIMUM AGE	Cats (8 weeks), Dogs (6 weeks)
		FREQUENCY	Monthly
		EFFECTS	Kills fleas, ear mites; heartworm preventive. Dogs: Controls sarcoptic mites. Kills American dog ticks. Cats: Treats and controls roundworm and hookworms.
		COMMENTS	Do not use in sick, debilitated or underweight animal
	NAME (COMPANY)		

15	Seresto (Bayer)	ACTIVE INGREDIENT	Flumethrin, Imidacloprid
		TYPE	Collar
		PET, MINIMUM AGE	Cats (over 10 weeks), Dogs (over 7 weeks)
		FREQUENCY	8 months
		EFFECTS	Kills fleas; kills deer ticks, American dog ticks, brown dog ticks, lone star ticks. Kills chewing lice. Controls sarcoptic mites. Cats: Remove ticks already on cat at time of collar application as they may not be killed immediately
COMMENTS	Water resistant; for animals that are bathed or swim more than once per month, control duration is reduced to 5 months. Consult veterinarian before using this product on debilitated, aged, breeding, pregnant, or nursing animals.		
	NAME (COMPANY)		
16	Vectra (Ceva)	ACTIVE INGREDIENT	Dinotefuran, Pyriproxyfen
		TYPE	Spot-on
		PET, MINIMUM AGE	Cats (over 8 weeks), Dogs (over 8 weeks)
		FREQUENCY	Monthly
		EFFECTS	Kills fleas
		COMMENTS	Waterproof for one month. Consult veterinarian before using this product on debilitated, aged, breeding, pregnant, or nursing animals or on animals with known sensitivity to pesticides.