



PurrInn Cats Hostelry - Topical Flea Treatments for Cats

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Product	Active Ingredient	Application Method	Application Frequency	Action	Advantages	Also Kills	Age Limitations	Disadvantages	
Program	lufenuron	tablet or liquid given with a meal	once a month	insect development inhibitor (IDI) inhibits flea eggs from growing & hatching after the flea bites	action limited to the hard outer flea shell, completely harmless to mammals			can take 30-60 days for adult fleas to die & all pets must be on Program	
		injection	every six months						
Advantage	imidacloprid	topical liquid that is applied to the cat's skin between the shoulder blades	once a month	released through body oils & hair follicles, without being absorbed by the cat, to kill fleas on contact	Fleas don't have to bite cat-kills 98-100% fleas within 12 hours- not absorbed into cat's or humans system- residual effect lasts up to 30 days	may reduce hatching eggs & larvae	2 months & older		
Advantage Multi	imidacloprid & moxidectin					moxidectin prevents heartworms & kills ear mites & some intestinal parasites			
Frontline	fipronil					Fleas don't have to bite cat-kills within 24-48 hours-effective if cat gets wet-residual effect lasts up to 90 days	kills ticks for up to 30 days-can control chewing lice & sarcoptic mange	2 months & older	
Frontline Plus	fipronil & Smethoprene					Fleas don't have to bite cat-kills fleas within 24-48 hours, & flea eggs & larvae-effective if cat gets wet-residual effect lasts up to 90 days	kills ticks for up to 30 days-can control chewing lice & sarcoptic mange	2 months & older & breeding, pregnant & lactating queens	
Revolution	selamectin					kills adult fleas & prevents eggs from hatching,	Heartworm preventative, controls ear mites, roundworms, hookworms, some ticks		
Capstar	nitenpyram	given orally	can be given frequently	systemic that kills adult fleas after they bite	rapidly eliminated in urine-often used by shelters on newly admitted cats or kittens		1 month & older & at least 2 lbs		
Frontline Spray	fipronil	Sprayed on cat	once a month		Fleas don't have to bite cat-kills within 24-48 hours-effective if cat gets wet-residual effect lasts up to 90 days	kills ticks for up to 30 days-can control chewing lice & sarcoptic mange			
Biospot Mist	pyriproxyfen or nylar	Sprayed on cat	every 3 months	insect growth regulator- does not kill adult fleas, prevents egg hatching	insect growth regulators- can be used to spray premises		7 months & older	often combined with chemicals that are unsafe for cats	
Zodiac spray for cats	pyrethrin + methoprene	spray cat or spray paper towel until about 1/2 saturated & Rub all over the cat (except face & nipples if has kittens) comb with flea comb	kills adult fleas for up to 7 days and keeps flea eggs from hatching for 2 months, apply once every 2 months, may be increased to once per week.	pyrethrin paralyzes insects & methoprene is IGR (insect growth regulator)	kills adult fleas and keeps flea eggs from hatching		Do NOT use on nursing animals or on cats or kittens under 12 weeks of age, Zodiac premise sprays contain permethrin = highly toxic to cats	methoprene must contact flea egg within 12 hours after laid, also contains Piperonyl Butoxide Technical & N-Octyl Bicycloheptene Dicarboximide	
flea shampoos	numerous - permethrins are toxic & any preparation that combines a chemical with permethrin is not safe for cats	bathe cat & rinse		kill only when on the cat no residual effect	pyrethrin shampoos generally safest for kittens				
powders & dusts		work thoroughly down to the skin	2-3 times a week	best used with shampoos, sprays, or dips	more residual killing activity than shampoos			must be labeled approved for cats	
sprays & foams		begin application at head & work toward tail	can last up to 14 days	use between shampoos to kill late-hatching fleas	water based are preferable to alcohol based which may be flammable & skin irritating		2 months & older		
insecticide dips		properly dilute, apply & allow to dry	most every 7-10 days	Organic dips with d-limonene are among safest for cats	penetrate hair coat- more killing & residual action than shampoos, powders, or sprays		4 months & older	must be used per manufacturers instructions	
flea collars					not generally considered to be as effective as other methods				