



How to Administer Medications to Your Dog

- ❖ See the instructions for the exact dosage. Ensure all instructions are read correctly. Check with the veterinarian to see whether the medication may be given with food i.e. hidden in cheese or a piece of meat etc. You may need to enlist the help of someone to help restrain the dog.
- ❖ Place the pill between your thumb and your index finger in one hand. Firmly grasp the upper jaw with your thumb and index finger of the other hand.
- ❖ Gently fold the upper lip over the teeth as you open the mouth. This will reduce the chance of being bitten.
- ❖ Rotate your wrist to tilt the dog's head upwards. Use your middle finger to gently open the dog's lower jaw.
- ❖ Keep your middle finger over the small incisor teeth and deposit the tablet as far back on the tongue as possible.
- ❖ Immediately close the dog's mouth. Stroke the throat or blow into the nose to encourage swallowing. Pulling the head down directly after tableting may facilitate swallowing also.

Liquids & Syrups

- ❖ See the instructions for the exact dosage. Ensure all instructions are read correctly. Fill the syringe or dropper with correct dose of medication.



- ❖ Firmly grasp the dog's muzzle with one hand while holding the syringe or dropper with the other hand.
- ❖ Gently place the syringe in between the teeth and cheek as far back as possible and gently squirt medication into mouth.
- ❖ Hold the dog's jaw closed and tilt the head back slightly. Stroke the dog's throat or blow into the nose to encourage swallowing.

