Dorzolamide Ophthalmic

Trusopt® is another name for this medication.

How Is This Medication Useful?
- Dorzolamide is used in the eye to reduce the pressure caused by glaucoma. It is most often used in the “good” eye to prevent glaucoma formation after glaucoma has been diagnosed in the other eye.

Are There Conditions or Times When Its Use Might Cause More Harm Than Good?
- Dorzolamide given topically has no known contraindications.

What Side Effects Can Be Seen With Its Use?
- Dorzolamide stings when placed in the eye. It does not make the pupil become smaller like other glaucoma drugs.

How Should It Be Given?
- Dorzolamide should be used three times daily.
- The successful outcome of your animal’s treatment with this medication depends upon your commitment and ability to administer it exactly as the veterinarian has prescribed. Please do not skip doses or stop giving the medication. If you have difficulty giving doses consult your veterinarian or pharmacist who can offer administration techniques or change the dosage form to a type of medication that may be more acceptable to you and your animal.

- If you miss a dose of this medication you should give it as soon as you remember it, but if it is within a few hours of the regularly scheduled dose, wait and give it at the regular time. Do not double a dose as this can be toxic to your pet.
- Some other drugs can interact with this medication so tell your veterinarian about any drugs or foods that you currently give your animal. Do not give new foods or medications without first asking your veterinarian.
- You should always wash your hands after applying this medication to your pet's eyes as it can get into your eyes and cause dilation of the pupil.
- Dogs and Cats: Dorzolamide is usually administered three times daily in dogs and cats.
- Horses: Horses do not usually receive dorzolamide.

What Other Information Is Important About This Medication?
- Dorzolamide should be stored in a tight, light resistant, childproof container away from all children and other household pets.