Flurbiprofen Ophthalmic

Ocufen® is another name for this medication.

How Is This Medication Useful?
- Flurbiprofen is used in the eye to stop inflammation in the eye.

Are There Conditions or Times When Its Use Might Cause More Harm Than Good?
- Flurbiprofen should not be used in animals that are allergic to it or to drugs like it.
- Flurbiprofen may increase the pressure in the eye and should not be used in patients with glaucoma.
- It should not be used in animals that have an infected eye ulcer as it may get worse.
- If your animal has any of the above conditions, talk to your veterinarian about the potential risks of using the medication versus the benefits that it might have.

What Side Effects Can Be Seen With Its Use?
- Flurbiprofen will make the pupil get smaller.
- Flurbiprofen makes the pressure go up in the eye.

How Should It Be Given?
- Flurbiprofen is used once or twice daily for inflammation of the eye.
- 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: Flurbiprofen is usually administered once or twice daily for inflammation in dogs and cats.
- Horses: Horses do not usually receive flurbiprofen.

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