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## LAPIZOLE® 20 MG/ML SUSPENSION FOR ORAL ADMINISTRATION

**Small Animal Exemption Scheme (SAES) product**  
**Qualitative and quantitative composition** 1 ml suspension contains: Active substance:  
Fenbendazole 20 mg  
Palatable aniseed flavour.

**Pharmaceutical form** Suspension for oral administration.

### Clinical particulars

**Target species:** Rabbits, birds, reptiles and ferrets.

**Indications for use:** Lapirole is a broad-spectrum, oral anti-parasiticide for administration in the prevention and treatment of infections caused by internal parasites of rabbits, ferrets, birds, reptiles, including *Encephalitozoon cuniculi*.

**Contraindications:** Lapirole is only for use in rabbits, birds, reptiles and ferrets. Do not use in animals other than those indicated.

Do not use in pregnant animals.  
Do not overdose.

**Special warnings for each target species:** In birds, fenbendazole can cause intestinal problems and inhibit bone marrow production. Do not use in nestlings/growing birds or those in moult. In some mammalian species, high doses of fenbendazole can lead to bone marrow suppression, gastrointestinal tract irritation and problems in pregnancy. Do not overdose. As with all veterinary medicines, occasional instances of allergic response due to prior sensitisation, drug intolerance and idiosyncratic reactions may occur.

**Special precautions for use:** For animal treatment only. If you are uncertain about the condition of your pet, consult a veterinary surgeon. If symptoms persist, consult a veterinary surgeon.

**Special precautions to be taken by the person administering the product to animals:** Avoid contact with

the skin. Wash hands with soap and water following treatment.

**Use during pregnancy and lactation:** No data available. Do not use in pregnant animals.

**Interactions:** None known.

**Amounts to be administered and administration route:** Suspension for oral administration.

Weigh animal carefully before administration to accurately assess the appropriate dose.

Shake the bottle well before each daily administration. Using the easy dose syringe:

Remove the cap and peel off the foil bottle covering. Place the plastic plug into the neck of the bottle.

Push the syringe firmly into the plug (hole) in the neck of the bottle.

Turn the bottle upside down. Whilst holding the syringe in place, gently pull the plunger, drawing the liquid to the correct mark on the syringe.

Turn the bottle the right way up and remove the syringe from the plug by gently twisting the syringe.

After use, replace the cap. Wash the syringe in warm water and allow to dry.

(Please refer to dosing guide).

**Withdrawal period:** Not applicable. For pet animals only. Do not use in animals intended for human consumption. Do not eat the eggs of treated birds.

### Pharmaceutical particulars

**Incompatibilities:** None known.

**Special precautions for storage:** Do not store above 25°C. Do not freeze. Keep out of direct sunlight. Keep out of the reach and sight of children.

**Immediate packaging:** Polypropylene container containing 100 ml of suspension and a dosing syringe.

**Disposal:** After use dispose of empty container with domestic refuse.

**Wholesaler dealer's authorisation number** WDA 1732

<b>Dosing Guide for Lapizole</b>		
Species/ Indication	Amount of Lapizole to administer	Equivalent fenbendazole dose rate
Rabbits: treatment/ prevention <i>E. Cuniculi</i>	1 ml/kg daily for 28 days	20 mg/kg
Rabbits: routine worming	1 ml/kg daily for 5 days Repeat every 3 months	20 mg/kg
Ferrets: routine worming	1 ml/kg daily for 5 days Repeat every 3 months	20 mg/kg
Pigeons: routine worming	0.5 ml per bird for 3 days	10 mg per bird
Exotic birds - all species: routine worming	1 ml/kg: mix in a small quan- tity feed then add to daily ra- tion daily for 7 days	20 mg/kg
Reptiles - lizards and snakes	2.5 ml/kg daily for 7 days	50 mg/kg
Reptiles - tortoises	De-worm after faecal screen- ing for para- sites. 1 ml/kg (20 mg/kg) once per week for up to 4 weeks	20 mg/kg

**Further information** *Encephalitozoon cuniculi* is a protozoal parasite of rabbits which affects the nervous and urinary systems and can cause a number of clinical signs. These include, but are not limited to, head tilt, hind limb paralysis or weakness, eye problems and death. It is a common parasite which is frequently sub-clinical, but in one study over 50% of rabbits in the UK were shown to have been infected.

*Encephalitozoon cuniculi* may be passed on to humans and presents a potential risk to individuals who may have deficiencies to the immune system.

Published data on the efficacy of fenbendazole in the treatment and prevention of *Encephalitozoon cuniculi* in rabbits indicate that a minimum treatment period of 28 consecutive days at 20 mg/kg body weight is required for adequate control.

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**Legal category** SAES

**GTIN (Global Trade Item No)**

Lapizole 20 mg/ml Suspension for Oral Administra-  
tion 100 ml: 05060019580639

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Product	Company	Cattle Milk	Cattle Meat	Sheep Meat	Pigs Meat	Poultry Meat	Poultry Eggs	Fish Meat	Notes
Lapizole 20 mg/ml Suspension for Oral Administration	Dechra Veterinary Products Limited	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	For pet animals only. Do not use in animals intended for human consumption. Do not eat the eggs of treated birds.

# Directory of participants

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# List of Products by Therapeutic Indication

## PHARMACEUTICALS

### Endoparasiticides

Lapizole 20 mg/ml Suspension for Oral  
Administration 1

### *Anthelmintics for Rabbits*

Lapizole 20 mg/ml Suspension for Oral  
Administration 1

### *Antiprotozoals*

Lapizole 20 mg/ml Suspension for Oral  
Administration 1

# List of Products by Species

Please note that a species in brackets after a product name may not necessarily be a part of that product name but is intended to make the index easier to use.

**Ferrets**

Lapizole 20 mg/ml Suspension for Oral  
Administration 1

**Ornamental birds**

Lapizole 20 mg/ml Suspension for Oral  
Administration 1

**Pigeons**

Lapizole 20 mg/ml Suspension for Oral  
Administration 1

**Rabbits**

Lapizole 20 mg/ml Suspension for Oral  
Administration 1

**Reptiles**

Lapizole 20 mg/ml Suspension for Oral  
Administration 1

## List of Products by Active Ingredients

This index of non-proprietary names (active ingredients) is provided to enable users of the Compendium to identify the brand names of relevant products when only the non-proprietary names are known.

It should be noted that although different products may contain the same active ingredient this does not imply that they are equivalent in regard to bioavailability or therapeutic activity.

Some products contain a number of ingredients and it has not been possible in every instance to identify such products by a reference in this index to each ingredient.

### Key

Non-proprietary name in bold type. Proprietary name in ordinary type.

### **Fenbendazole**

Lapizole 20 mg/ml Suspension for Oral  
Administration 1

# Alphabetical Index of Products

Lapizole 20 mg/ml Suspension  
for Oral Administration 1

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