

Prescription refill information

Patient name	
Prescription number	
Owner's name	
Treatment start date	
Votorinarian	

Prescription refill schedule

DAY	DATE ADMINISTERED	SCHEDULED DOSE	ACTUAL DOSE	REACTIONS	CURRENT ITCHINESS LEVEL (Scale: 10 = high, 1 = none)
1		1/4 of previous tolerated dose			
8		1/2 of previous tolerated dose			
15		³/4 of previous tolerated dose			
22		Previous tolerated dose			

READ THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION BEFORE USING THIS VIAL

Allergenic extracts tend to lose potency over time. A newly prepared prescription is likely stronger than the one formulated for your pet a few months ago. To compensate for the change in strength of the new prescription vial, the pet should receive a lower volume for the first month to avoid any reaction. If your pet has a reaction at any time during this build-up period, do not continue to increase the volume. Call your veterinarian to help you adjust the schedule. Start the new schedule on the date of your next routinely scheduled dose.¹

Return to the volume and frequency schedule previously found to be best suited to the pet's response. Order refills from your veterinarian a minimum of 6 weeks in advance. Always have this schedule updated and in hand when contacting or visiting your veterinarian. Please consult your veterinarian before making any dosage changes.

Prescription refill dosage schedule

Understanding the dosage schedule

The dosage schedule tells you which vials to use, how much to inject, and how often to give the injections. The **Build-up Phase** increases the dose gradually. After increasing to the maximum tolerated dose, the pet is "maintained" at one dose given every 10–21 days.^{2,3} **This is the Maintenance Dose.**

Since you are receiving a refill prescription, you have already completed the build-up phase and have reached the maintenance phase. It is important to get your pet back to the previously tolerated dose (maintenance dose) and the injection schedule you have found to be optimal. However, because allergenic extracts tend to lose potency (strength) over time, it is important to revisit the build-up phase when starting a new (stronger) prescription.

Please use the Prescription Refill Schedule form on the reverse side and the following example to help you determine the appropriate dose and schedule for your pet. Always consult your veterinarian if you have any concerns.

Example:

DAY	PREVIOUSLY TOLERATED DOSE	BUILD-UP Adjustment	DOSE
1	1.0 mL	0.25 x 1.0 mL	0.25 mL
8	1.0 mL	0.50 x 1.0 mL	0.50 mL
15	1.0 mL	0.75 x 1.0 mL	0.75 mL
22	1.0 mL	1.0 x 1.0 mL	1.0 mL

Success depends on finding what dosage and frequency of doses works best for your pet. Most pets do not follow the dosage schedule exactly and this is offered as a guide.

Refer to the GREER® Aller-g-complete® Guide for more information.

Please consult your veterinarian before making any dosage changes.

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