

Waiver of Responsibility and Liability for Prescriptions to be Filled by Internet Pharmacies

Please note that we will price match medications with the following 2 online sources Dr. Fosters and Smith and 1800Petmeds to try to help defray costs and in an attempt to make sure the medications come from reliable sources. This does NOT include parasite control such as Heartgard, Frontline, etc since we often have rebates.

Client's Name: _____

Pet's Name(s): _____

We understand and empathize with the desire to find products cheaper. We know that several online pharmacies presently sell these products cheaper than we are able to. If you wish, we will gladly write you a prescription for your pet(s) for these products in lieu of selling them here. We do, however wish for your decision to be an informed decision, and want you to know several things regarding online pharmacies.

1. There is the possibility that the prescription drugs received from these vendors may be counterfeit and may not have been approved by the FDA. This has occurred in the past and could recur. Many pharmaceuticals manufactured and labeled for use in other countries (namely Mexico and Australia) have been illegally diverted and sold through online pharmacies/catalogs.
2. As the provider of your pet's care, our medical records keep track of all drugs dispensed by us to you. When you purchase your prescriptions elsewhere, our computer tracking system is not activated to print instructions for use or risks of adverse effects or to send reminders for follow-up exams and/or lab tests that may be needed to monitor results or adverse reactions.
3. You may not have the prescription drug(s) available soon enough to start your pet's medications at the optimal time to provide relief for his/her condition.
4. When prescription products are purchased elsewhere, our staff members not get the opportunity to teach you how to administer them.
5. The number of tablets or capsules, milligram size of the unit, volume and/or concentration of liquid, and number of authorized refills may differ from that prescribed by the attending doctor.
6. Manufacturer rebates that would ordinarily be available for products purchased from this facility generally will not be available.
7. The manufacturer's warranties or guarantees for these products may not be valid. This means if your pet's condition is not effectively treated with the product(s), manufacturers may not stand behind their products or product liability procedures. Additionally, the owners of and doctors at this facility will be unable to assist you in claims against those manufacturers. When purchased directly through a veterinarian, there are cases that the manufacturer will pay for treatments associated with the pet's condition (such as heartworms) because the product was obtained from reliable resources.

I hereby request a prescription for medication(s) for my pet(s) so that I can purchase

these products from an Internet pharmacy. I have been informed that the above risks exist when I obtain these products from such sources. I also accept the following guidelines:

1. All state and federal prescribing laws apply, the same as if you purchased it here.
2. It is your responsibility to ensure that the prescription is sent, filled, labelled, shipped, and used correctly. These services have a reputation for poor customer service, and we cannot expect to take the time to oversee their operations.
3. We will not become involved in any product failure issues for products purchased through internet pharmacies. This includes heartworm, intestinal parasite, and flea prevention medications too.

I have read and understand the above, accept these risks, and am aware that this facility cannot accept any financial responsibility for paying for or reimbursing me for any treatments required as a result of the use of products purchased from these sources. In the absence of negligence, I agree to hold this veterinary practice harmless for any deleterious effects or lack of effectiveness of drugs purchased from any other source.

After signing this form we will provide you with either a written medication script OR sign a fax approved by the veterinarian as medically necessary.

DATE: _____

Signature of Owner or Authorized Agent : _____