Patient leaflet in accordance with the Pharmacists' Regulations (Preparations) - 1986
Veterinary medicine package leaflet
This medicine is dispensed with a veterinarian's prescription only
For use in animals only

1) Name, form and strength of the veterinary medicine:

Eqvalan Veterinary

Oral paste.

2) Active ingredient and concentration in dose unit:

Ivermectin 1.87% w/w

For the list of the inactive ingredients and allergens in the medicine – see section 13.

Read the entire leaflet carefully before you start using this medicine.
This leaflet contains concise information about this medicine. If you have any further questions, consult the veterinarian or pharmacist.

3) What is this medicine intended for?

The medicine is indicated for the treatment of stomach & intestine parasitic infestations in horses.
At the recommended dose, the product has parasitical action against:
Stomach and intestine roundworms (adults & arterial larval stages of *Strongylus vulgaris*, adults & tissue larval stages of *S. edentatus*), adults of *S. equinus*, adults of *Triodontophorus spp.*, adults and immature forms of "small" Strongyloides: *Clucodontophorus spp.*, *Cycliocyclus spp.* and: *Cyathostomum spp.*
Adults and immature forms of *Oxyuris equi*, *Habronema musca*, *Parascaris equorum* and: *Trichostrongylus axei*.
Stomach parasites: various forms of *Gastrophilus spp*.

Eqvalan has parasitical action in one dose against the main internal parasites in horses.
Eqvalan contains ivermectin, which has a wide range of parasitical activity, and is not a benzimidazole compound and not an organic phosphorus compound.

Therapeutic group: This medicine belongs to the group of broad-spectrum antiparasitics for systemic (internal) use.

4) Contraindications:

Do not use this medicine:
- If the animal is sensitive (allergic) to the active ingredient, the group of substances macrocyclic lactones, to which the active ingredient belongs, or to any of the other ingredients in this medicine. The active ingredient appears in section 2, and the other ingredients are listed in section 13.
- This medicine is only suitable for use in the animal for which it is indicated (horses). Do not administer it to other animals as it may cause severe side effects. Do not administer to dogs and cats, and do not allow them to lick the paste or the used syringe.

5) Side effects:

Like all medicines, this medicine may cause side effects in some animals. Do not be alarmed by this list of side effects. The animal may not experience any of them.

Some horses carrying heavy infection of parasites and which were treated with the medicine - side effects such as oedema and pruritus appeared. It is assumed to be the result of death of large numbers of parasites in the animal. These side effects generally resolve within a few days. At times, symptomatic treatment should be administered to relieve the side effects.

If any of the side effects gets worse or if the animal experiences a side effect not mentioned in this leaflet, consult your veterinarian.

You can report side effects to the Ministry of Health by following the link 'Reporting Side Effects of Drug Treatment' on the Ministry of Health home page (www.health.gov.il) which links to an online form for reporting side effects. You can also use this link:
https://sideeffects.health.gov.il

6) Target animals:

This medicine is intended for use in horses only.

7) Method of administration and dosage in the animal:

Always use according to the veterinarian's instructions. Check with the veterinarian or pharmacist if you are not sure. Only the veterinarian will determine the dose and how this medicine should be taken.
Do not exceed the recommended dose.

Route of administration: Oral.

Dosage: A prefilled syringe contains a sufficient amount of the medicine to treat a horse that weighs up to 600 kg, according to the recommended dose of ivermectin 200 mcg/kg BW horse.
Each marking on the syringe plunger delivers 20 mg ivermectin, a quantity of medicine sufficient to treat 100 kg BW horse.
To ensure administration of a correct dose, before administering the medicine, determine the weight of the horse as accurately as possible.

Frequency of administration: Consult your veterinarian to determine the frequency of treatment to achieve maximum control of the parasites.

Eqvalan is a medicine with a broad safety margin. At the recommended dosage, **Eqvalan** is permitted for use in horses of all ages, although foals may be initially treated at 6-8 weeks.

Do not administer this medicine in the dark! Check the label and dose each time you administer this medicine to an animal. Wear glasses if you need them. If you have any further questions about using this medicine, consult your veterinarian or pharmacist.

8) How to use the medicine:

- This medicine is intended for oral use. Do not inject!
- How to use the syringe:
- Unlock the knurled ring by making 1/4 turn and slide to the required weight marking (the horse's weight). Now lock the plunger in place by turning it in the opposite direction.
- Make sure the horse's mouth contains no feed.
- Remove the cap from the nozzle and insert it into the horse's mouth at the interdental space.
- Press the plunger until it stops, and place the medicine on the upper part of the tongue at the back of the mouth.
- Immediately after inserting the medicine, raise the horse's head for a few seconds to ensure that the paste is consumed and swallowed by the horse.
- Use immediately after opening (for one or more horse) and destroy the unused medicine.

9) Waiting time:

Waiting times before slaughtering: Not applicable.

10) Warnings:

- **Special warnings about use in target animal:** To prevent development of resistance of the parasites to the medicine and as a result hurt its effectiveness in the treatment of parasites, refrain from overly frequent use of ivermectin and materials belonging to this therapeutic group (see section 3), administering a dose that is lower than the recommended dose, which may be due to underestimation of the animal's body weight and incorrect administration of the medicine or improper calibration of the syringe.
- **Special warnings about the safety of using this medicine in animals:** None.
- **Special safety precautions for the person administering the medicine:** Do not smoke, eat or drink while using the product. Wash hands after using the medicine. This medicine may cause skin and eye irritation. Therefore, the person administering the medicine should avoid contact of the medicine with the skin and the eyes. In the case of contact with the skin or eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water. If a person has accidentally swallowed some of the medicine or touched their eye and caused irritation, immediately see a doctor or go to a hospital emergency room and bring the medicine package with you.
- **Pregnancy and lactation:** The medicine may be administered to pregnant and lactating mares. Additionally, it may be used in breeding stallions without adversely affecting their fertility.
- **Interactions with other medicines and other forms of interaction:** When the medicine was administered in conjunction other equine health care products, no interactions with the other products were observed.
- **Overdose:** In the administration of a dose that is 9 times higher (i.e., an overdose of 1.8 mg of ivermectin per kg of the horse's weight) mild transitory signs such as slowed pupillary light response and depression have been seen. Other signs seen at higher doses included mydriasis, ataxia, tremors, stupor, coma and death. The less severe signs have been transitory. There is no known antidote for the medicine. Symptomatic therapy may be beneficial.
- **Incompatibility:** In the absence of data, do not mix this medicine with other medicines.

11) Storage instructions:

- Prevent poisoning! To prevent poisoning, keep this, and all other medicines, in a closed place, out of the reach and sight of children and/or infants.
- Do not use the medicine after the expiry date (exp. date) which is stated on the package. The expiry date refers to the last day of that month.
- **Storage conditions:** Store at a temperature below 25°C. Protect from light.
- **Shelf-life after first opening:** Use immediately after opening (for one or more horse) and dispose of the unused medicine. May be used in one or more animals.

12) Instructions for the disposal of the medicine/unused medicine:

- Do not throw away medicines in the toilet or with household waste. Dispose of any remaining veterinary medicine or waste obtained from using a veterinary medicine in the same manner as toxic waste. Do not discard into a sewer.
- The medicine is extremely dangerous to fish and aquatic life. Do not contaminate lakes, pools or waterways by disposing of the medicine or unused medicine in them.
- Ask your pharmacist or veterinarian how to dispose of medicines that have expired are no longer required. These steps will help protect the environment.

13) Additional information:

- **In addition to the active ingredient/s, the medicine also contains the following inactive ingredients:**
  Propylene Glycol, Hydrogenated Castor Oil, Hydroxypropylcellulose and Titanium Dioxide (E171).
  The product does not contain preservatives.
- **What the medicine looks like and contents of the pack:** The medicine looks like a white homogeneous paste.
- The paste is packaged in a syringe with a cap on one side and a plunger with locks, which makes it possible to calibrate a measured dose of the dose administered. The syringe is packaged in a carton.
- **Pack size:** The medicine is supplied in a syringe that contains 6.42 grams paste. The pack contains one syringe.
- **Registration holder:** Beit Erez Havat Milatin Ltd., P.O.B. 209, Mishmar Hashiva 5029700.
- **Manufacturer:** Boehringer Ingelheim Animal Health France, Lyon, France (manufactured with Boehringer Ingelheim Animal Health do Brasil, São Paulo, Brazil and Boehringer Ingelheim Animal Health France, Toulouse, France).

Registration number of the medicine in the Ministry of Health's National Drug Registry: 081-83-91484-00

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