

SAFE HANDLING AND USE GUIDELINES

For Veterinary Products

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Safe use of injectable drugs begins with you—read, understand and follow all label directions and observe all caution statements and human warnings.

SAFETY FIRST

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WORKER SAFETY

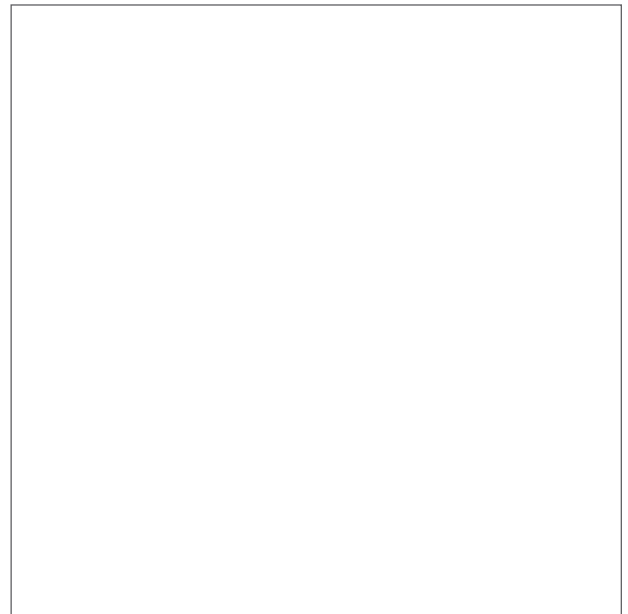
- Consult your veterinarian for safe handling and use training prior to administering injectable products
- Store injectable products in a secure location not accessible to children or the general public
- Keep children and bystanders out of work area
- Properly restrain all animals
- Identify an exit route
- Be aware of uneven or changing walking surfaces
- Handle loaded syringes with care
- Keep needles properly covered until use
- Never carry loaded syringes in pocket or by hand; always carry in a tote
- Do not work alone
- Clearly establish the team leader, roles and responsibilities
- Evaluate the experience of those around you

ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY

- Post emergency procedures and contacts
- Remove potential hazards in work area
- Repair or remove broken equipment
- Properly dispose of used needles and bottles
- Recycle all injectable syringes and bottle packaging

ANIMAL SAFETY

- Use adequate facilities (e.g., squeeze chute, head gate)
- Minimize handling stress in accordance with animal behavior
- Adjust your activity to the temperament of each animal



BEEF QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM (BQA) GUIDELINES FOR INJECTABLE ANIMAL-HEALTH PRODUCTS¹

- Follow FDA/USDA/EPA guidelines for product(s) utilized
- All products are to be used per label directions
- Extra-label drug use shall be kept to a minimum and only when prescribed by a licensed veterinarian working within a valid Veterinarian Client Patient Relationship (VCPR)
- Strict adherence to extended withdrawal periods (as determined by the veterinarian within the context of a valid VCPR) shall be employed
- Products labeled for subcutaneous (SQ) administration should be administered SQ in the neck region, unless another site is recommended, e.g., base of ear
- All products labeled for intramuscular (IM) use shall be given in the neck region only (no exceptions, regardless of age)
- All products cause tissue damage when injected IM; therefore, IM use should be avoided if possible
- Products with low dosage rates are recommended and proper spacing between injection sites should be followed
- No more than 10 cc of product should be administered per injection site; it is recommended that injections are given at least 4 inches apart

EXERCISE CAUTION TO AVOID ACCIDENTAL SELF-INJECTION

- Keep needles properly covered until ready to use
- Carry syringes in proper manner to ensure safe handling
- Handle loaded syringes with care
- Never carry loaded syringes in coat or pockets
- If syringe is broken or damaged in any way, discontinue use immediately
- Exercise caution when removing needle from syringe

WHAT TO DO IN CASE OF SELF-INJECTION

Seek immediate medical attention and:



REACH

for and apply ice pack (if recommended by manufacturer)



REFERENCE

product label and provide to emergency medical personnel



REMEMBER

to call SafetyCall at **1-800-722-0987** or Elanco at **1-800-428-4441**

NOTES:

¹National Cattlemen's Beef Association. Beef Quality Assurance Manual. <<https://www.bqa.org/Media/BQA/Docs/nationalmanual.pdf>>. Accessed October 14, 2020.

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