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Itchy Skin & Allergy Kits for Dogs

It is important to rule out other possible causes of your companion's itchiness such as fleas, mange, ringworm or infection. Keep in mind that any secondary bacterial or yeast infections must be treated before much progress can be seen in remediation of the underlying cause of the itchy skin. Hot spots can occur from self trauma that results when the pet attempts to relieve a pain or itch by excessive scratching, biting and rubbing. These hot spots must be controlled with topical treatments while the animal's immune system is recovering.

Basic Kit:

Only Natural Pet Salmon Oil – Start with the dosage recommended on the bottle for your dog's weight (add to food). The dosage can be increased to 1 1/2 to 2 times that recommended on the bottle if needed – do this gradually over the course of a week. Dosage can be split between two meals. If your dog develops loose stools, then reduce the dosage a bit.

Salmon oil provides Essential Fatty Acids (EFA's), which nourish your companion's skin and coat and help reduce inflammation.

Super Daily Vitamins & Enzymes – These should be given at EVERY meal. Enzymes are dosed by volume of food, not by the weight of the animal. Follow dosage instructions on the container for each meal.

Digestive enzymes aid in the breakdown of food and enhance nutrition through better digestion. This supplement will also support the restoration of beneficial gut flora and the healing of the digestive tract.

Please Note: We HIGHLY recommend using a high quality allergy formula food while treating your dog for allergies and itchy skin. Avoid common allergens such as wheat, soy, corn, beef and chicken in food *and treats*. Please take the time to read the article entitled "What You Should Know About Your Pet's Food" on our website in the "Newsletter Articles" section.

Additional Items in Deluxe Kit:

Days 1 & 2 add the salmon oil and digestive enzymes to the diet. After adding the above supplements to your companion's diet for 2 days, begin adding the Health Concerns Skin Balance on day 3.

Health Concerns Skin Balance – This is an excellent herbal complex for the treatment of itchy skin. In Traditional Chinese Medical terms, an animal allergies and itchy skin is suffering from wind (itching), heat (redness), damp (oozing) and blood deficiency (dryness, poor coat) problems. The herbs in Skin Balance reduce inflammation and itching as well as boosting skin health and assisting in the cleansing of the blood.

Dosage:

Small (<25 lb) - 1/2 - 1 Tab

Medium (25-50 lb) - 1-2 Tabs

Large (>50 lb) - 2-3 Tabs

2-3 times/day based on intensity of disease and vitality of animal

Start with the lowest dosage for your dog's weight 2 times per day. Increase to 3 times per day after 2 days. If needed, gradually increase the number of tablets or partial tablets per dose until you notice a reduction in symptoms (or maximum dosage is reached for your pet's weight).

Please keep in mind that response to herbal remedies varies by individual. If your pet's symptoms worsen or change in any way that concerns you or if vomiting or diarrhea occur, discontinue use of any supplements and contact your veterinarian.

On day 6 add the Only Natural Pet Immune Balance.

Only Natural Pet Immune Balance - A well-balanced immune system is especially important in helping to treat allergies, which are often characterized by an overactive immune system. Unlike an immune booster, which stimulates the immune system, this all-natural liquid supplement brings it into balance.

Dosage:

Up to 16 lbs: 4-7 drops daily

17 - 34 lbs: 8 - 15 drops daily

35 - 86 lbs: 16 - 39 drops daily

87 lbs: 40+ drops daily

(Approximately 1 drop per 2.2 lbs.)

Shake well before using. Dose directly into mouth or add to small treat. 1 ml = 20 drops. It is recommended to be given on an empty stomach between meals.

Doc Ackerman's Herbal Colloidal Oatmeal Shampoo - Bathe as often as needed to relieve itching. Leave lather on for 5 minutes or more for optimal itch relief.

