

Zylkene Facts

What is Zylkene?

- Zylkene is a milk-derived biopeptide, alpha-casozepine, which binds to and increases the effect of the inhibitory neurotransmitter GABA.
 - This supplement supports balanced behavior in dogs and cats and has clinically proven calming effects via a mechanism of action similar to benzodiazepines.
 - The effect on GABA results in anxiolysis without anamnestic or other typical benzodiazepine side effects.
 - Pets outside of their home environment are often stressed and could benefit from the addition of a behavioral supplement during their stay.
- Zylkene is hydrolyzed and contained in a gel capsule, making it appropriate for pets with allergies.

How is Zylkene given?

- Zylkene is an encapsulated powder that can either be given whole with a treat (peanut butter, cheese, pill-pocket) or opened and sprinkled onto your pet's food.
 - Please let us know if you have a preference for how Zylkene is given to your pet.
- There are 3 sizes of Zylkene available and the appropriate dose for your pet will be determined by one of our veterinarians.
 - Once daily administration is recommended.
- Supplementation can be started at home 1-2 days prior to boarding to further support your pet's ability to cope with a new environment.
 - Ask about taking home Zylkene for pre-emptive supplementation for your pet's next stay with us!

What are the potential side effects of Zylkene?

- Anecdotal reports of diarrhea are the only adverse reaction seen with Zylkene.
 - This is a common side effect of any new oral medication.
- There are no current contraindications or drug interactions, making Zylkene a good fit for any pet.

We recommend Zylkene for every boarding pet to help make their stay as comfortable as possible.

Please feel free to speak with one of our veterinarians if you have questions or concerns.