

<u>Veterinary Staff Information Sheet</u> **Delicate Care**TM – **Skin or Stomach**

Skin Allergies

Summary: Delicate CareTM Skin or Stomach is a highly palatable, hypoallergenic elimination diet for dogs with sensitive skin or stomach, based on novel proteins and grains. It is boosted with the Omega MagicTM Essential Oil Blend (Omega 3 & 6), vitamins, chelated minerals and prebiotics.

Food allergies occur when a dog's immune system mistakenly identifies a particular food ingredient as harmful. Food allergies are the third most common cause of allergic itching and scratching in dogs, typically starting as red moist rashes in the ears. Food allergies occur in dogs of all ages and are not seasonal.

Protein components of chicken meals and corn (in the USA) and meat meals and wheat grain (in Australia) are amongst the most common allergens, mainly due to their prevalence in the majority of commonly available dog foods. Typically, dogs have been exposed to the allergens for a long period of time eg on the same type of diet for at least two years.

Delicate CareTM Skin or Stomach is formulated from novel protein sources such as duck, kangaroo and sorghum which are hypoallergenic. Delicate CareTM Skin or Stomach is an effective way to assist in the care of skin allergies.

Key Points:

Recommended for dogs of all life stages with Skin or Stomach sensitivities

Hypoallergenic: Novel proteins from Australian Kangaroo and Australian Duck

Novel grain Australian Sorghum (Low Glycaemic Index)

Natural: Naturox (Kemin) incorporated into the whole supply chain so no artificial preservatives are used in the sourcing or manufacturing of ingredients for Delicate Care.

No artificial colouring (leads to some natural colour variation), no artificial flavour

Balanced: Meets or safely exceeds AAFCO nutrient specifications

Protein: Energy ratio (balanced for sustained and steady growth for large breed puppies)

Calcium: Phosphorus ratio (to optimize skeletal development)

Omega Fatty Acids: Delicate Care contains the essential fatty acids that must be supplied in the diet of dogs through Omega MagicTM. Omega MagicTM contains balanced Omega-6: Omega-3 fatty acids in ratio close to 5:1 to balance the less inflammatory eicosanoids to help maintain a shiny coat and healthy skin

Omega-6 essential fatty acids are sourced from sunflower oil (not corn oil) to ensure supply of AAFCO specified linoleic acid (C18:2 n-6)

Omega-3 essential fatty acids are sourced from

• Canola oil (local, GMO free) for linolenic acid (C18:3 n-3)



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• Fish oil from deep sea sources for very long chain omega-3 fatty acids: eicosapentaenoic acid (EPA; C20:5 n-3) and docosahexaenoic acid (DHA; C22:6 n-3)

Prebiotics: To support the immune system

FOS: promote 'friendly' *Bifidobacteria* in lower gut [Hussein et al. (1999) J.Nutr. 129: 1454S-1456S] MOS: anti-allergenic effect, attributed to activation of cellular immunity [Ozaki et al. (2007) J Health Sci 53: 766-770]

Chelated Trace Minerals: Addition of chelated minerals (eg. Zinc and Copper) to ensure efficient absorption and delivery of micronutrients for optimum energy and protein metabolism.

Low Smell: Natural Yucca schidigera extract assists in reducing body and faecal odours

Ingredients:

Whole Sorghum, Australian Kangaroo, Australian Duck, Kangaroo Digest, Omega Magic[™] Essential Oil Blend, FOS (Fructo-Oligo-Saccharides), Yeast Extracts, Yucca schidigera Extract, Vitamins A D3 E K3 B1 B2 B3 B5 B6 B12, Folic Acid, Biotin, Copper (from Sulphate), Copper Chelate, Zinc (from Sulphate), Zinc Chelate, Manganese (from Oxide), Manganese Chelate, Iron (from Sulphate), Iron Chelate, Selenium, Iodine and Calcium. Product protected by natural mixed tocopherols (Vitamin E) and rosemary extract.

*No salt (sodium chloride) is added to Natural Balance™ formulations. Salt, if present in our formulations, is naturally occurring

Nutritional Analysis

Protein (%min) 25
Fat (%min) 9
Fibre (%max) 6
Ash (%max) 10
Moisture (%max) 8
Ca:P Ratio 2.0:1.0
Metabolisable Energy 350 kcal/100gms as fed

DOES NOT CONTAIN

Common Allergens derived from Beef, Chicken, Wheat, Corn, Soy, Dairy Artificial colours, flavours or preservatives BHT, BHA, or Ethoxyquin

Packaging

Freshness of our natural product is maintained by our state of the art, multi layered high performance plastic 3kg and 15kg resealable bags.

Please refer to consumer brochure for feeding chart and change over details.

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