



We understand that cost is a concern when considering your pet's medical needs. Some online pharmacies may advertise "discount" pet medications or "medications without a prescription." This should raise a few red flags. While there are many trustworthy online pharmacies, unfortunately there are many others that cannot be trusted. If a medication is extremely less expensive than what you'd pay at your vet's office, it is probably fake, expired, diverted, or from another country.

Here are some questions to ask before purchasing your pet's medication online:

Does this pharmacy require a prescription from my vet?

- Every prescription must be approved by your vet. *If a pharmacy does not ask for your vet's contact information, they are prescribing medications illegally.*

Is this medication guaranteed to work?

- Most medication manufacturers guarantee the safety or efficacy of their products when they are purchased from your vet. If they are not purchased from your vet, the guarantees are null and void.

How do I know if the medication I ordered online is real?

- You don't. Many medications purchased from unregulated online pet "pharmacies" are fake. The packages are made to look similar to the "real" packaging. Many pets have fallen ill or even died as a result of receiving counterfeit medications.

Why is the medication so much cheaper online than at my vet?

- Your vet spends time carefully choosing the medications she will recommend for your pet. The vet's staff has to order the medications, keep them in stock, and have them ready for you. There's a chance the medication you are purchasing online for your pet is not a real medication and may be counterfeit, which explains the low cost.

Are there any trustworthy online pharmacies out there?

- Yes!
 - www.1800petmeds.com
 - www.Drsfostersmith.com
 - www.finananimalhospital.com

Why won't Dr. Finan approve an online order for medication from a pharmacy not listed above?

- Your pet's health is our top priority. We will not approve a medication for your pet that may be harmful to his or her health.