How to Apply Eye Ointment

Reminder
To avoid contamination and discomfort, do not touch the tube to the surface of the eye.

Step-By-Step Process

1. Remove any discharge around the eye with a cotton ball moistened with saline solution.

2. **Check the instructions on the tube for dosage.** Most applications are a 1/4-inch ribbon of drug. The following will apply to a ¼ inch dose. Please adapt these instructions if your dose is different.

3. **After washing your hands,** gently pull back the upper and lower eyelids.

4. Holding the tube parallel to the lower eyelid, squeeze the ointment onto its edge, about the size of a grain of rice for a ¼ inch ribbon. **DO NOT let the tube touch the eye’s surface.**

5. Release the animal's head. **Let your animal blink.**

6. Lightly massage the upper and lower eyelids together to spread the medication.