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Give 1 mg Benadryl® (diphenhydramine) per pound of body weight every 8-12 hours



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Until veterinary help is available soothe intense itching by filling a tub or sink with cool water and rinse your dog's skin for 10-20 minutes for 3-4 days. A gentle canine shampoo can also be used every now and then as long as it does not dry out your pet's skin.



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If your dog's allergies have not improved after a week or so, or are extreme seek veterinary attention to properly diagnose and treat the underlying source of allergies



DO NOT use hot water as that will aggravate any itching



Giving your dog a bath once or twice a week if he has allergies is helpful so nothing builds up on their fur and gets absorbed through the skin



Oatmeal baths with products like Aveeno, or medicated shampoos available through your vet are helpful to reduce itching on the body including the feet



Ask your vet about allergy shots and other medications that can provide relief for allergic dogs