

PLEASE READ THIS INFORMATION CAREFULLY BEFORE YOU START TO TAKE YOUR MEDICINE.

CONSUMER MEDICINE INFORMATION



DECONGESTANT TABLETS

PSEUDOEPHEDRINE HYDROCHLORIDE

What is in this leaflet?

This information answers some common questions about Pharmacy Health Decongestant Tablets. It does not contain all the available information. It does not take the place of talking to your doctor or pharmacist who has detailed information. Keep this information with the medicine, as you may want to read it again.

What is Pharmacy Health Decongestant Tablets used for?

Pharmacy Health Decongestant Tablets contains a decongestant, pseudoephedrine hydrochloride which acts to clear nasal congestion and dry a runny nose, making breathing easier.

If you have any concerns about this medication, ask your doctor or pharmacist.

Before you take Pharmacy Health Decongestant Tablets

When you must not take it

- Do not use this product after the expiry date printed on the carton and foil
- Do not use this product if the packaging is torn or shows signs of tampering.
- Do not give to children under 12 years
- Do not take if you are taking, or within 14 days after stopping taking, monoamine oxidase inhibitors (MAOIs), a type of medicine used to treat depression.
- Do not take if you have very high blood pressure or severe blood vessel disease
- Do not use if you are allergic to pseudoephedrine or any of the ingredients under "Product Description" of this Consumer Medicine Information.

If you have an allergic reaction, you may have an asthma attack, skin rash, or hayfever-like symptoms.

If you are not sure whether you should take this medicine, talk to your doctor or pharmacist.

Before you start to take it

You must tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are suffering from any of these conditions:

- High blood pressure
- Heart disease
- Depression
- Lung, liver or kidney disorders
- Over active thyroid gland
- Prostate problems such as enlarged prostate
- Bladder problems
- Diabetes mellitus (too much sugar in the blood)
- Increased pressure in the eye (glaucoma)
- Any other medical problem

It may not be safe for you to take Pharmacy Health Decongestant Tablets if you have any of these conditions.

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking any other medicines, including any that you buy without a prescription from your pharmacy, supermarket or health food shop.

In particular, you should tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are using any of these substances:

- Medicines for high blood pressure
- Medicines that suppress appetite and for slimming
- Other nasal decongestant (eg. Medicines used to treat symptoms of colds and flu)
- Levodopa (a medicine used for Parkinson's disease)
- Medicines for depression

These medicines may affect the way Pharmacy Health Decongestant Tablets works or Pharmacy Health Decongestant Tablets may affect the way they work. Your doctor or pharmacist can tell you what to do if you are taking any of these medicines.

Pregnancy

Tell your doctor if you are pregnant or are planning to become pregnant.

Women who are pregnant or who may become pregnant should check with their doctor before using Pharmacy Health Decongestant Tablets.

Breastfeeding

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are breastfeeding.

Pharmacy Health Decongestant Tablets is not recommended for breastfeeding mothers.

How to take Pharmacy Health Decongestant Tablets

Recommended dose

Adults and children over 12 years of age: 1 tablet, 3 to 4 times a day, when necessary. Do not exceed 4 tablets in 24 hours.

Do not give to children under 12 years.

If you are unsure what dose to take ask your pharmacist.

This preparation is for the relief of minor and temporary ailments and should be used strictly as directed. Prolonged use may be harmful. If symptoms persist, seek medical advice.

If you miss a dose

If you miss a dose, do not take a double dose to make up. This medicine should be used when necessary.

If you take too much (in case of overdose)

Immediately telephone your doctor, Poisons Information Centre (Telephone 13 11 26) or go to the Emergency Department at your nearest hospital if you think that you or anyone else may have taken too many Pharmacy Health Decongestant Tablets tablets even if there are no signs of discomfort or poisoning.

While you are taking Pharmacy Health Decongestant Tablets

Things you must do

Take Pharmacy Health Decongestant Tablets as described on the label and in the leaflet.

If your symptoms do not improve within 7 days, you should contact your doctor for further advice.

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you become pregnant while taking Pharmacy Health Decongestant Tablets.

Side Effects

Pharmacy Health Decongestant Tablets provides relief from nasal congestion, but it may have unwanted side effects in a few people.

You may need medical treatment if you get some of these side effects.

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you notice and become worried about any of the following:

- Sleeplessness
- Difficulty passing urine
- Nervousness
- Tremor (shaking)
- Vertigo
- Headache
- Fast or irregular heartbeat
- Palpitations
- Sweating
- Flushing
- Anxiety
- Restlessness
- Dry mouth or loss of appetite

Some people may get other side effects not mentioned in this leaflet. Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you notice anything else which makes you feel unwell.

After using Pharmacy Health Decongestant Tablets

Storage

Pharmacy Health Decongestant Tablets should be stored below 30°C until the expiry date shown on the label.

Do not leave Pharmacy Health Decongestant Tablets in the car on hot days. Store away from direct sunlight or heat. Keep your tablets in the blister pack until it is time to take them. If you take the tablets out of the blister pack, they may not keep well.

Keep it where children cannot reach it. A locked cupboard or at least one-and-a-half metres above the ground is a good place to store medicines.

Disposal

Return any unused medicines to your pharmacist.

Where to go for further information.

If you have any questions about this, or any other medication, discuss with your pharmacist.

Product Description

Pharmacy Health Decongestant Tablets come as white, round-shaped tablets.

Active ingredients

Each tablet contains:

- Pseudoephedrine hydrochloride 60 mg

Other ingredients:

- Calcium hydrogen phosphate dihydrate
- Magnesium stearate
- Microcrystalline cellulose

Free from starch, gluten, colouring, yeast, dairy products, glucose, sugar, alcohol, lactose and preservatives.

Supplier

Pharmacy Health Decongestant Tablets is supplied in Australia by:

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