

SYKOFEN SYRUP

Ketotifen fumarate (1mg/5ml)

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What Sykofen Syrup is used for

Sykofen Syrup is used for the preventive treatment of bronchial asthma, asthmatic bronchitis (inflammation in the main passages that carry air to the lungs) and allergic reactions, e.g., allergic rhinitis (inflammation of the mucous membrane inside the nose), allergic conjunctivitis (inflammation of the mucous membrane of eye), allergic skin reactions.

How Sykofen Syrup works

The active ingredient of Sykofen Syrup is ketotifen, is a potent anti-allergic drug with strong anti-histamine properties.

In allergic conditions, certain substances called histamines are released in the body. These trigger inflammatory responses.

Antihistamines work by preventing the release of histamine from certain cells thereby blocking the allergic reaction.

Before you use Sykofen Syrup

When you must not use it

- If you are hypersensitive (allergic) to ketotifen or any other components of the formulations.
- If you are taking oral medicines to control your diabetes.

Pregnancy and breastfeeding

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are pregnant or plan to become pregnant or are breastfeeding. Ketotifen is excreted in breast milk, therefore mothers receiving ketotifen should not breastfeed.

Before you start to use it

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are hypersensitive (allergic) to any other medicines, foods, preservatives or dyes.

Do not stop taking other asthma medications unless your doctor or pharmacist tells you to, however well you feel.

Taking other medicines

Please tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking or have recently taken any other medicines, including medicines obtained without a prescription because they may interact with each other.

Some medicines must not be taken with Sykofen Syrup, these include:

- sedatives and hypnotics (induce calm and sleep)
- antihistamines
- alcohol

How to use Sykofen Syrup

How much to use

Always take this medicine exactly as your doctor or pharmacist has told you. You should check with your doctor or pharmacist if you are not sure.

Recommended Dosage

Adults:

Oral, 1 to 2mg (1-2 teaspoonful) every 12 hours.

Children:

Body weight under 35kg – oral, 0.5mg (1/2 teaspoonful) every 12 hours.

Body weight over 35kg – oral, 1mg (1 teaspoonful) every 12 hours.

When to use it

Always take the medicine exactly as your doctor or pharmacist has told you to.

How long to use it

Continue taking Sykofen Syrup for as long as your doctor or pharmacist recommends.

If you forget to use it

Take the missed dose as soon as you remember. If it is almost time for your next dose, wait until then to take the medicine and skip the missed dose. Do not take extra medicine to make up the missed dose.

If you use too much (overdose)

The symptoms of overdose include drowsiness, confusion, dyspnea (breathing difficulty), bradycardia (slow heart rate) or tachycardia (fast heart rate), disorientation and convulsions.

Contact your doctor or pharmacist immediately or go to the Emergency Department of your nearest hospital, if you think you or anyone else may have taken too much of this medicine. Do this even if there are no signs of discomfort or poisoning. You may need urgent medical attention.

While you are using Sykofen Syrup

Things you must do

Tell all the doctors, dentists and pharmacists treating you that you are taking Sykofen Syrup.

Tell your doctor immediately if you become pregnant while taking this medication.

Take this medicine regularly as instructed by your doctor or pharmacist.

Things you must not do

Do not give this medicine to anyone else, even if their symptoms seem similar to yours.

Do not take this medicine to treat any other condition unless your doctor or pharmacist tells you to.

Do not stop taking this medicine, or change the dosage, without checking with your doctor or pharmacist.

Things to be careful of**Driving and using machines**

This medicine may affect your ability to drive or use machine. If you feel drowsy, do not drive or use machines and contact your doctor or pharmacist immediately.

Side effects

Like all medicines, Sykofen Syrup can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them.

Most common side effects:

- Drowsiness
- Dizziness
- Dry mouth
- Headache
- Nausea
- Weight gain
- Diarrhea

Other side effects not listed above may also occur in some patients. Please inform your doctor or pharmacist if you notice any other effects.

You may report any side effects or adverse drug reactions directly to the National Centre for Adverse Drug Reaction Monitoring by calling Tel: 03-78835550, or visiting the website portal.bpfk.gov.my (Consumers → Reporting).

Storage and disposal of Sykofen Syrup**Storage**

Store at 28-32°C, 55-85% relative humidity in a well-closed container and away from heat and light.

Keep out of reach of children.

Disposal

Medicines should not be disposed of via wastewater or household waste. Ask your pharmacist how to dispose of medicines no longer required. These measures will help to protect the environment.

Product description**What it looks like**

Colourless syrup with strawberry odour.

Ingredients**Active ingredient:**

The active ingredient of Sykofen Syrup is Ketotifen Fumarate.

Inactive ingredients:

Dibasic Sodium Phosphate, 70% Sorbitol Solution, Glycerine, Citric Acid, Strawberry Essence, Methyl Paraben, Propyl Paraben, Purified Water, Sucrose.

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