

ZORAMINE ELIXIR

Chlorpheniramine Maleate (4mg/5ml)

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This leaflet answers some common questions about Zoramine Elixir. It does not contain all the available information. It does not take the place of talking to your pharmacist or doctor.

All medicines have risks and benefits. Your pharmacist or doctor has weighed the risks of you taking Zoramine Elixir against the benefits they expect it will have for you.

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

Keep this leaflet with the medicine.

You may need to read it again.

What Zoramine Elixir is used for

Zoramine Elixir is indicated for the control of symptoms of all allergic conditions responsive to antihistamines such as hay fever, vasomotor rhinitis (inflammation of the membranes inside the nose which is not due to allergy), urticarial (is an itchy red blotchy rash resulting from swelling of the superficial part of the skin) food allergy, drug & serum reactions, pruritus (itching) and insect bites.

How Zoramine Elixir works

Zoramine Elixir contains chlorpheniramine maleate as active ingredient.

Chlorpheniramine maleate belongs to a group of drugs called antihistamines and it causes less sedation than *promethazine*. It works by blocking the action of histamine, a substance in the body that causes allergic symptoms.

Ask your pharmacist or doctor if you have any questions about this medicine.

Before you use Zoramine Elixir - When you must not use it

Do not use Zoramine Elixir if:

- You are allergic (hypersensitive) to chlorpheniramine maleate, other antihistamines of similar chemical structure or to any of the other ingredients in this medicine.

-Before you start to use it

Tell your pharmacist or doctor if you have or have had any of the following medical conditions:

- Glaucoma (increased fluid pressure in the eye)
- Prostatic hypertrophy (enlarged prostate gland)

Pregnancy and breast feeding:

- Ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice before taking Zoramine Elixir if you are pregnant, trying to get pregnant or think you may be pregnant and if you are breast-feeding.

-Taking other medicines

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

Antihistamine may enhance the sedative effects of central nervous system depressants, including alcohol, barbiturates, hypnotics, narcotic analgesics, sedative and tranquilizers.

How to use Zoramine Elixir

-How much to use

Children 6 to 12 years of age:

2 to 4mg, three to four times daily.

Children 1 to 5 years of age:

1 to 2mg, twice daily.

Children up to 1 year of age:

1mg, twice daily.

-When to use it

Use as directed by your doctor or pharmacist

-How long to use it

Depends on individual. Consult your doctor for the exact duration of this medicine.

-If you forget to use it

Consult your doctor or pharmacist on what you should do 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 a double dose to make up for the missed dose.

-If you use too much (overdose)

Overdose reactions may vary from central nervous system depression to stimulation. Atropine like signs and symptoms may also occur such as;

- Dry mouth
- Fixed dilated pupils
- Flushing (sudden reddening of the face, neck, or upper chest)
- Gastrointestinal symptoms

While you are using Zoramine Elixir -

Things you must do

Take your medicine exactly as your doctor has told you.

Tell all the doctors, dentists and pharmacists treating you that you are taking Zoramine Elixir.

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-Things you must not do

Do not take any new medicines without consulting your doctor,

Do not give Zoramine Elixir to anyone else, even if they have the same symptoms or condition as you

Do not drink alcohol while taking Zoramine Elixir as antihistamines may increase the effects of alcohol and may cause drowsiness.

-Things to be careful of

During treatment with Zoramine Elixir reactions may be impaired. Antihistamines may cause drowsiness. Do not to take charge of vehicles or machinery until the effect of Zoramine Elixir treatment on the individual is known.

Warning:

When used for treatment of cough and cold:

- (a) Not to be used in children less than 2 years of age.
- (b) To be used with caution and doctor's / pharmacist's advice in children 2 to 6 years of age.

Side effects

Like other medicines, Zoramine Elixir can cause some side effects; some may be serious and need medical attention.

The most common side effects of antihistamines are;

- Sedation
- Inability to concentrate
- Lassitude (a state of physical or mental weariness)
- Dizziness
- High blood pressure
- Muscular weakness
- In co-ordination

Other side effects of antihistamines include gastro-intestinal disturbances such as;

- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Diarrhoea
- Constipation
- Epigastric pain (pain at upper abdomen below the ribs)

Antihistamines may also produce;

- Headache
- Blurred vision
- Tinnitus (ringing of the ears)
- Elation or depression
- Irritability
- Nightmares
- Anorexia
- Difficulty in urination
- Dryness of the mouth
- Tightness of the chest
- Tingling
- Heaviness and weakness of the hand.

Visit your doctor or pharmacist immediately if you experience any side effects after taking this medicine.

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 Zoramine Elixir

-Storage

Store below 30°C.
Keep container well closed.
Protect from strong light.
Keep out of reach of children.

-Disposal

Dispose the medicine after the expiry date. 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

Zoramine Elixir is a clear syrupy liquid with apricot flavour and odour.

-Ingredients

-Active ingredient:
Each 5ml contains
Chlorpheniramine Maleate 4mg.

-Inactive ingredients:

Vanilla Flavour, Apricot Flavour, Ponceau 4R, Sodium Benzoate, Sucrose, Purified Water.

-MAL number:

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