

SALCODYL SYRUP

Salbutamol/Guaiphenesin (1mg/50mg per 5ml)

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What SALCODYL SYRUP is used for

SALCODYL SYRUP is used for the relief of productive and wheezing cough associated with pneumonia (infection that mainly affects the lungs), influenza (viral infection) and acute respiratory infections.

How SALCODYL SYRUP works

Salbutamol induces dilation of airway and stop airway constriction in doses which do not produce marked heart acceleration.

Guaiphenesin has an expectorant action which increases the output of respiratory tract fluid by reducing adhesiveness and surface tension, thus, facilitates the removal of mucus. This changes a dry unproductive cough to a cough that is more productive and less frequent.

Before you use SALCODYL SYRUP

- When you must not use it

Do not use SALCODYL SYRUP if you have:

- High blood pressure
- Myocardial insufficiency (inability of the heart to perform its function)
- Overactive thyroid

Pregnancy and lactation

Risk and benefit should be considered when used during pregnancy.

Tocolysis: Serious adverse reactions including death have been reported after administration of Salbutamol to women in labor. In the mother, these include increased heart rate, transient high blood sugar, low blood potassium level, irregular heartbeat, excess fluid in the lungs and reduced blood flow to the heart.

Increase fetal heart rate and newborn low blood sugar may occur as a result of maternal intake.

Tell your doctor or pharmacist before taking this medicine if you are pregnant, trying to get pregnant, think you may be pregnant or if you are breastfeeding. Ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice before taking any medicine.

- Before you start to use it

Salbutamol should be used with caution if you have any of the following conditions:

- Thyrotoxicosis (excess thyroid hormone in the body)
- Diabetes
- Cardiovascular disorders (disease of the heart or blood vessels)
- High blood pressure

Your doctor may plan a regular test to monitor your fluid balance, heart function and respiratory function.

Safety & effectiveness have not been established in children below 2 years of age.

- 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.

These include:

- Monoamine oxidase inhibitors (MAOIs) for depression
- Tricyclic antidepressant
- Beta-adrenoceptor blocking agents such as propranolol or oxprenolol
- Steroids
- Diuretics (water pills)
- Theophylline (to treat asthma)

How to use SALCODYL SYRUP

- How much to use

Follow all directions given to you by your doctor and pharmacist carefully. They may differ from the information contained in this leaflet. If you do not understand the instructions on the label, ask your doctor or pharmacist for help.

Adults:

2 to 4 teaspoonfuls (10 ml – 20 ml) 2 to 3 times daily.

Children

2-6 years: 1 to 2 teaspoonfuls (5 ml – 10 ml) 2 to 3 times daily.

6-12 years: 2 teaspoonfuls (10 ml) 2 to 3 times daily.

- When to use it

Use as directed by your doctor or pharmacist.

- How long to use it

Continue taking SALCODYL SYRUP for as long as your doctor recommends.

- 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)

Contact your doctor 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.

Taking too much syrup may cause muscle tremor, flushing, agitation, palpitations (rapid, fluttering or pounding heart), sinus tachycardia (usually a rapid contraction of a normal heart) and hypokalaemia (lower than normal potassium level in your bloodstream).

Guaiphenesin: When given by mouth in large doses, Guaiphenesin has a relaxant effect on skeletal muscle.

While you are using it

- 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 SALCODYL SYRUP.

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

- Things you must not do

Do not stop taking the medicine unless advised by your doctor.

Do not take any new medicines without consulting your doctor.

Do not give SALCODYL SYRUP to anyone else, even if they have the same symptoms or condition as you.

- *Things to be careful of*

Driving and using machines

Be careful when driving or using machines until you know how this medicine affects you.

Side effects

Like all medicines, SALCODYL SYRUP can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them.

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

Salbutamol may cause palpitation, tachycardia and muscle tremors. Guaiphenesin may cause gastrointestinal discomfort and drowsiness. Very high doses may cause nausea and vomiting. Potentially serious hypokalemia may result from the therapy. In young children 2-6 years of age, some adverse reactions were noted more frequently than in adults and older children.

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 npra.moh.gov.my (Public → Reporting Medicinal Problems / Side Effects / AEFI / Vaccine Safety).

Storage and Disposal of SALCODYL SYRUP

- *Storage*

Keep out of the reach and sight of children.

Keep container tightly closed

Store in a dry place below 25°C

Protect from light

SHAKE WELL BEFORE USE

- *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*

Red coloured syrup with rose flavour

- *Ingredients*

- Active ingredients

Salbutamol (as Salbutamol Sulphate) and Guaiphenesin

- Inactive ingredients

Syrup, Liquid Glucose, Methyl Paraben, Propyl Paraben, Sodium Saccharin, Xanthan Gum, Rose Flavour, Red Raspberry, Deionised Water

- *MAL number:*

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Manufacturer and product registration holder

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