## **ANTIFLAM RUB**

Methyl salicylate (28.3% w/w)

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#### What Antiflam is used for

It is used for the temporary relief of pain of joints and muscle associated with arthritis, low back pain, rheumatism, sprains and strains.

#### **How Antiflam works**

Methyl salicylate has the properties to reduce pain and inflammatory conditions.

## Before you use Antiflam

- When you must not use it
- allergic to methyl salicylate or other ingredients of Antiflam.
- Before you start to use it

Be careful if you are sensitive to acetylsalicylic acid. This product contains methyl salicylate and when applied or rub on the skin can be absorbed through the skin into the blood. If you are taking warfarin (for anti blood clot), excessive use on to the skin for muscle or joint pains may increase the chances of bleeding.

## - Taking other medicines

The medicine is for topical application and will usually have minimal effect on other medication. However, please inform the doctor or pharmacist if taking other medicines.

#### How to use Antiflam

- How much to use

Apply to the affected area 2 - 3 times a day.

- When to use it

Please follow the advice of the doctor or pharmacist.

- How long to use it

You should check with your doctor or pharmacist.

## - If you forget to use it

If you forget to use this medicine, use it as soon as you remember. Then continue using it at your usual time.

- <u>If you use too much (overdose)</u>
If you have used too much Antiflam, contact your doctor, an emergency department or a poison center

#### While you are using Antiflam

- Things you must do

immediately.

Inform your doctor of all the medications you are taking.

#### - Things you must not do

Do not stop using medication although you feel better after a few days, until the prescribed course is finished.

- Things to be careful of

If you are pregnant, become pregnant, or are breastfeeding, please inform the doctor or pharmacist.

#### Side effects

Methyl salicylate may cause symptoms of headache, dizziness, ringing in the ears, hearing difficulty, blurred vision, tiredness, mental confusion, drowsiness, sweating, thirst, fast breathing, nausea, vomiting and sometimes diarrhoea.

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 Antiflam

- <u>Storage</u>

Store in cool, dry place. Protect from light. Keep out of reach of children.

- Disposa

Ask your pharmacist how to dispose of medicines no longer required.

#### **Product description**

- What it looks like

White colour cream.

- Ingredients:
- Active ingredient: methyl salicylate
- Inactive ingredients: menthol, eucalyptus oil, cetomacrogol emulsifying wax, tween 80, chlorocresol, hard paraffin, cetostearyl alcohol, sodium citrate, citric acid and deionised water

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