

Patient & Product Information

(Povidone-Iodine 5% w/w) **Antiseptic Ointment**

Active Ingredients:

Povidone-Iodine 5% w/w
(Equivalent to 0.5% available iodine).

Read this Patient Information before you start using this Antiseptic Ointment and each time you get a refill. This information does not take the place of talking with your healthcare provider about your medical condition or treatment.

What is this Antiseptic Ointment?

This Antiseptic Ointment is a topical medication used for:

- Preventing and treating infections in minor cuts, wounds, abrasions, and burns.
- Managing skin infections caused by bacteria or fungi.
- Pre- and post-operative wound care.

This Antiseptic Ointment is not for:

- Use in the eyes, mouth, or other mucous membranes.
- Treatment of deep or large wounds without consulting a healthcare provider.

Who can use this Antiseptic Ointment?

For Adults and Elderly Patients:

- This Antiseptic Ointment can be safely used in adults and elderly patients as prescribed.

For Children (2 years of age and older):

- Safe for use under adult supervision. Apply only a thin layer to the affected area as directed by your healthcare provider.
- Do not use on large areas of skin or for prolonged periods without consulting a healthcare provider.

For Infants and Toddlers (under 2 years of age):

- Not recommended for use in children under 2 years of age unless directed by a healthcare provider.

Who should not use this Antiseptic Ointment?

Do not use this Antiseptic Ointment if you:

- Are allergic to povidone-iodine or any of the ingredients in the ointment. See the end of this info for a complete list of ingredients.
- Have thyroid disorders (such as hyperthyroidism or nodular thyroid disease).
- Are currently undergoing radioactive iodine treatment.
- Are pregnant, especially in the later stages of pregnancy, unless advised by a healthcare provider.

What should I tell my healthcare provider before using this Antiseptic Ointment?

Before using this Antiseptic Ointment, tell your healthcare provider if you:

- Have any thyroid disorders or are being treated for thyroid conditions.
- Have kidney problems.
- Are pregnant or plan to become pregnant. Povidone-iodine may affect your unborn baby, especially in the later stages of pregnancy.
- Are breastfeeding or plan to breastfeed. Povidone-iodine may pass into breast milk.
- Tell your healthcare provider about all the medicines you take, including prescription and over-the-counter medicines, vitamins, and herbal supplements.

How should I use this Antiseptic Ointment?

Adults and Children 2 Years and Older:

- Clean and dry the affected area before application.
- Apply a thin layer of ointment to the affected area 1-3 times daily or as directed by your healthcare provider.
- You may cover the treated area with a sterile bandage or dressing after applying the ointment.
- Avoid using the ointment for more than 7 days unless directed by a healthcare provider.

Children Under 2 Years of Age:

- Use only if prescribed by a healthcare provider. Follow their specific directions.

Additional Instructions:

- Wash your hands thoroughly after applying the ointment unless the hands are the treatment site.
- Do not use the ointment near the eyes, mouth, or mucous membranes.

Possible Side Effects of this Antiseptic Ointment

The most common side effects include:

In Adults and Children 2 Years and Older:

Common side effects:

- Mild irritation or redness at the application site.
- Temporary staining of the skin or fabrics.

Rare but serious side effects:

- Severe allergic reactions, such as rash, swelling, or difficulty breathing.
- Symptoms of iodine overdose, such as metallic taste, excessive salivation, or abdominal pain.

In Infants and Toddlers Under 2 Years of Age:

- Increased risk of systemic absorption leading to thyroid function abnormalities. Use only if prescribed by a healthcare provider.

How should I store this Antiseptic Ointment?

- Store this Antiseptic Ointment at room temperature, between 20°C to 25°C (68°F to 77°F).
- Keep the tube tightly closed when not in use.
- Keep this Antiseptic Ointment and all medicines out of the reach of children.

General Information About This Antiseptic Ointment.

- Do not use this Antiseptic Ointment for a condition for which it was not prescribed.
- Do not share this medication with other people, even if they have the same symptoms.
- You can ask your pharmacist or healthcare provider for information that is written for health professionals.

What are the ingredients in this Antiseptic Ointment?

Active ingredients:

- Povidone-Iodine

Inactive Ingredient:

- Antiseptic Ointment base