

## Patient & Product Information

(Desonide 0.05% w/w Cream) **Low-Potency Topical Corticosteroid**

### Active Ingredients:

Desonide ..... 0.05% w/w

Read this leaflet before you start using Desonide Cream and each time you get a refill. This information is not a substitute for your healthcare provider's advice.

### What is Desonide Cream used for?

- Desonide Cream is a low-potency corticosteroid used to treat inflammatory skin conditions, including:
- Eczema
- Atopic dermatitis
- Seborrheic dermatitis
- Contact dermatitis
- Other steroid-responsive skin conditions with symptoms such as redness, itching, swelling, and irritation

### How does it work?

- Desonide works by reducing inflammation, itching, and redness associated with skin conditions through its anti-inflammatory and vasoconstrictive actions.
- Who should NOT use Desonide Cream?

Do not use if you:

- Are allergic to Desonide or any ingredients in the formulation
- Have untreated skin infections (bacterial, fungal, or viral)
- Have rosacea, perioral dermatitis, or acne
- Are pregnant or breastfeeding, unless directed by a healthcare provider

Precautions:

- Tell your doctor before using this product if you:
- Have thinning skin or history of prolonged steroid use
- Have immune system disorders
- Are using other topical or oral medications
- Are treating children under 12 years – use only under medical supervision

### How to use Desonide Cream:

- Use exactly as prescribed
- Apply a thin layer to the affected area 2–3 times daily or as directed
- Gently rub in until absorbed
- Wash hands before and after use (unless treating the hands)
- Do not cover the treated area with bandages unless instructed
- Avoid use on face, groin, or underarms unless directed by your doctor
- Do not use for more than 2 weeks without medical supervision

Possible Side Effects:

Common (usually mild):

- Burning or stinging at application site
- Itching or dryness
- Skin thinning (with prolonged use)

Rare but serious:

- Stretch marks, skin discoloration

- Hormonal effects like fatigue, weight gain (especially in children)
- Allergic reactions (rash, swelling)
- Stop use and consult your doctor if side effects worsen or new symptoms appear.

**How should I store this Cream?**

- Store at 20°C to 25°C (68°F to 77°F)
- Protect from excessive heat and moisture
- Keep out of reach of children
- Do not freeze

**General Safety Advice:**

- For external use only
- Avoid contact with eyes, nose, and mouth
- Do not use on open wounds or broken skin
- Use only on the area prescribed
- Do not share with others

**What are the ingredients in this Cream?****Active Ingredients:**

- Desonide

**Inactive Ingredients:**

- Cream base

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