

## **Anaesthetic Throat Spray**

Amylmetacresol 0.29mg/spray 2, 4-Dichlorobenzyl Alcohol 0.58mg/spray Lidocaine 0.78mg/spray

# Read all of this leaflet carefully because it contains important information for you.

This medicine is available without prescription. However, you still need to use Strepsils +Plus Anaesthetic Throat Spray carefully to get the best results from it.

- Keep this leaflet. You may need to read it again.
- Ask your pharmacist if you need more information or advice.
- You must contact a doctor if your symptoms worsen or do not improve
- If any of the side effects gets serious, or if you notice any side effect not listed in this leaflet, please tell your doctor or pharmacist.

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# 1. WHAT STREPSILS +PLUS SPRAY IS AND WHAT IT IS USED FOR

The active ingredients which make Strepsils +Plus Spray work are

- Amylmetacresol and 2,4-dichlorobenzyl alcohol. These have antiseptic properties, which kill bacteria which cause mouth and throat infections.
- The spray also contains lidocaine, which is a local anaesthetic to rapidly numb the pain of a painful sore throat.

Strepsils +Plus Spray can be used for the symptomatic relief of mouth and throat infections, including severe sore throats

# 2. BEFORE YOU USE STREPSILS +PLUS SPRAY

#### Do not use Strepsils +Plus Spray

- if you are allergic (hypersensitive) to any of the ingredients listed in section 6
- if you are under 18 years of age
- if you are pregnant or breastfeeding, unless under the supervision of your doctor
- if you have a history of allergy to local anesthetics
- if you suffer from a blood disorder called methemoglobinemia (abnormal amounts of hemoglobin in the blood)

# Take special care with Strepsils +Plus Spray and consult your doctor if

- If you have been told by your doctor that you have an intolerance to some sugars, contact your doctor before taking this medicinal product.
- you suffer from asthma
- your symptoms persist or anything unusual happens

#### Taking other medicines

Strepsils +Plus Spray may interact with other medicines you are taking. Please talk to your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking or have recently taken any other medicines.

## Pregnancy and breast-feeding

This product is not recommended during pregnancy and breast feeding except under medical supervision.

#### Important information about some of the ingredients of Strepsils +Plus Spray

The spray contains small amounts of ethanol (alcohol), less than 100mg per two sprays. It also contains carmosine (E122), which may cause allergic reactions.

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#### 3. HOW TO USE STREPSILS +PLUS SPRAY

For use in the mouth. Do not inhale whilst using the spray. Before use, turn the nozzel 90°

Adults (over 18 years): Spray the effected area 2 times and swallow gently.

Repeat every 2 hours as required, up to a maximum of 8 times daily. This product should only be taken as necessary. This product should not be given to children under 18 years. If your symptoms persist or worsen within 3 days of use or anything unusual happens consult your doctor or pharmacist.

Do not take more than 16 sprays in 24 hours.

If you use more Strepsils +Plus Spray than you should

Contact your doctor or pharmacist

### If you forget to take Strepsils +Plus Spray

Take the next spray as soon as you remember, if needed. Do not double the dose.

If you have any further questions on the use of this product, ask your doctor or pharmacist.

#### 4. POSSIBLE SIDE EFFECTS

Like all medicines, Strepsils +Plus Spray can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them.

Some allergic (hypersensitivity/rash) reactions, nausea or oral discomfort may occur.

If any of the side effects are serious, or if you notice any side effects not listed in this leaflet, please tell your doctor or pharmacist.

### Reporting of Side Effects

If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor, pharmacist or nurse. This includes any possible side effects not listed in this leaflet. You can also report side effects directly via HPRA Pharmacovigilance, Earlsfort Terrace, IRL - Dublin 2; Tel: +353 1 6764971; Fax: +353 1 6762517. Website: www.hpra.ie; E-mail: medsafety@hpra.ie. By reporting side effects you can help provide more information on the safety of this medicine.

#### 5. HOW TO STORE STREPSILS +PLUS SPRAY

Keep out of the reach and sight of children.

Do not store above 25°C

Do not use Strepsils +Plus Spray after the expiry date which is stated on the bottle and carton. The expiry date refers to the last day of that month

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.

#### 6. FURTHER INFORMATION

### What Strepsils +Plus Spray contains

This oromucosal spray contains the active ingredients (per spray) amylmetacresol 0.29mg, 2,4 – dichlorobenzyl alcohol 0.58mg and lidocaine 0.78mg.

The other ingredients are glycerol (E422), citric acid, levomenthol, peppermint flavour, aniseed flavour, carmosine edicol (E122), purified water, sodium hydroxide, concentrated hydrochloric acid, ethanol, saccharin and liquid sorbitol (non-crystallising)

What Strepsils +Plus Spray looks like and contents of the pack Clear pink oromucosal spray.

Each pack contains a 20ml bottle with spray pump nozzle.

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