

# Dozol

## ORAL SOLUTION

Paracetamol 120mg/5ml

Diphenhydramine Hydrochloride 12.5mg/5ml

**Please read all of this leaflet carefully before you give this medicine to a child.**

- Keep this leaflet. You may need to read it again
- If you need more information or advice, please ask your doctor or pharmacist
- You must contact your doctor if your child's symptoms get worse or do not improve
- If any of the side effects get serious, or if you notice any side effects not listed in this leaflet, please tell your doctor or pharmacist.

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### **1. What Dozol is and what it is used for**

Dozol is a caramel flavoured sugar free oral solution. This medicine contains two different active ingredients - paracetamol and diphenhydramine. Like all medicines these ingredients may cause harm in overdose. Do not give this medicine to your child without the advice of a healthcare professional.

Paracetamol is a pain killer and provides effective relief of teething pains, irritability after an immunisation, aches or pains. It also lowers high temperatures.

Diphenhydramine hydrochloride is an antihistamine, which provides relief of sleeplessness as a result of the conditions listed above.

It is suitable for children aged from 2 years.

### **2. Before you give Dozol to your child**

#### **Do not give Dozol to your child if:**

- Your child is allergic to paracetamol or diphenhydramine hydrochloride or to any of the other ingredients listed (see ingredients section)
- Your child is under 2 years of age
- Your child has epilepsy (large doses of antihistamines may bring on epileptic fits)
- Your child is taking any other paracetamol containing products
- Your child is taking other antihistamine / diphenhydramine products
- Your child has a rare sugar intolerance called hereditary fructose intolerance

- Your child is taking or has recently taken (in the last 14 days) antidepressants called monoamine oxidase inhibitors (MAOIs)
- Your child has porphyria.

**You must not give Dozol if any of the above applies.**

**If you are unsure about whether you can give this medicine speak to your doctor or pharmacist.**

#### **Special warnings:**

- Dozol may cause drowsiness. Children receiving this medicine should be kept under supervision
- Dozol should be given with caution to children with known liver or renal impairment.

#### **If adults take this medicine:**

**The following warnings also apply if you are an adult taking this medicine:**

- If you drink large amounts of alcohol, you may be more prone to the side effects of paracetamol, and the dangerous effects of a paracetamol overdose
- Ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice before taking this medicine if you are pregnant, think you might be pregnant or are breast feeding
- May cause drowsiness, if affected do not drive or operate machinery.

#### **Taking other medicines:**

Dozol can affect some other medicines your child may be taking. Always tell your doctor or pharmacist about all the medicines you are giving to your child. This means medicines you have bought yourself as well as those you have on prescription from your doctor.

Dozol should not be taken if your child is taking any other medicines, without the advice of a doctor / pharmacist.

#### **Important information about some of the ingredients**

- Contains propylene glycol which may cause alcohol-like effects
- Contains sorbitol (E420) and maltitol (E965). If your child has an intolerance to some sugars, contact your doctor before giving this medicinal product
- Sorbitol content 1.5g/5ml, sorbitol may have a mild laxative effect; the calorific content of sorbitol is 2.6Kcal/g
- Contains the preservatives ethyl parahydroxybenzoate (E214), propyl parahydroxybenzoate (E216), methyl parahydroxybenzoate (E218), colouring agent ponceau 4R (E124), all of which may cause allergic reactions (possibly delayed).

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### 3. How to give Dozol

Read this section carefully to see how much Dozol to give.

- Do not give Dozol to children under 2 years of age
- Dozol Oral solution should be taken by mouth only
- It is important to ensure that your child receives the correct dose. The dose needs to be accurately measured using the measuring device provided.

The usual dose is as follows:

Age	Dose
2 to 6 years	5 to 10ml 3 to 4 times daily
Children over 6 years	10 to 20ml 3 times daily or as directed by your doctor
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• There needs to be sufficient time between doses - the interval between doses should be six hours</li><li>• Do not give more than 4 doses in any 24 hours</li><li>• For short term use only</li><li>• Not recommended for routine use</li><li>• Never exceed the dose recommended on the package leaflet</li><li>• It is essential that this medicine is not administered with other medicines which contain paracetamol. If you are not sure if a medicine contains paracetamol, check with your pharmacist and carefully read the package leaflet</li><li>• Do not administer with any other medicine without checking with your healthcare professional.</li></ul>	

If anyone has taken or given too much Dozol:

Immediate medical advice should be sought in the event of an overdose, because of the risk of irreversible, liver damage.

Take your medicine or the pack with you so that the doctor knows what you have taken.

If you forget to take or give a dose of Dozol:

If you have missed a dose, don't worry; give the next dose when needed provided that the last dose was given at least 6 hours ago. Do not give a double dose to make up for a missed dose.

If your child's symptoms do not go away, or, get worse or if you are not sure how to give this medicine and would like further information, then please contact your doctor as soon as possible.

### 4. Possible side effects

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

Stop giving Dozol and seek immediate medical help if you notice the following rare but serious symptoms:

- Allergic (hypersensitivity) reactions including skin rash. Very rare cases of serious skin reactions have been reported
- Unexpected bruising or bleeding, sore throat, infections or fever, pale skin and weakness or breathlessness. These can be a sign of severe blood disorders (thrombocytopenia and agranulocytosis)
- Problems with movement and co-ordination or tremor
- Liver problems which can cause yellowing of the skin or whites of the eyes (jaundice).

Other side effects may include:

**Commonly:** Drowsiness, headache, dry mouth, nose and throat, blurred vision, upset stomach, difficulty in passing urine, phlegm on the chest.

**Rarely:** Low blood pressure, dizziness, confusion, increased awareness of the heart beat (palpitations), depression, problems with sleeping, fits (convulsions), excitability in children.

#### Reporting of side effects

If you or your child 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](http://www.hpra.ie) E-mail: [medsafety@hpra.ie](mailto:medsafety@hpra.ie) By reporting side effects you can help provide more information on the safety of this medicine.

### 5. How to store Dozol

Keep out of the reach and sight of children.

Do not store above 25°C. Do not refrigerate or freeze. Keep bottle in the outer carton.

Do not use this medicine after the expiry date which is stated on the label and carton after EXP. The expiry date refers to the last day of that month. If you have any medicines that are out of date, return them to your pharmacist for safe disposal.

### 6. Further information

#### Ingredients

Each 5ml of Dozol contains the active ingredients paracetamol 120mg and diphenhydramine hydrochloride 12.5mg. The other ingredients are macrogol 4000, glycerol, propylene glycol, sorbitol liquid (E420), maltitol liquid (E965), neohesperidin dihydrochalcone, saccharin sodium, ethyl parahydroxybenzoate (E214), methyl parahydroxybenzoate (E218), propyl parahydroxybenzoate (E216), annatto extract (E160), caramel flavour, ponceau 4R (E124), purified water.

#### What the medicine looks like

Dozol is a clear amber coloured liquid. This medicine is available in pack sizes of 100ml and 30ml. Not all pack sizes may be available.

### Product authorisation holder and manufacturer

**RS** Rice Steele Manufacturing Limited, Tallaght, Dublin 24, Ireland.

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