

Benadryl[®]

Allergy

Children's

1 mg/ml Oral Solution Cetirizine

- This medicine is used to relieve the symptoms of hay fever and other allergic conditions such as pet allergies, dust allergies and skin reactions.
- This medicine is for use by children aged 2 years and over and can also be used by adults.

Read the leaflet carefully before use. Keep this leaflet, you might need it again.

1 What the medicine is for

Benadryl Allergy Children's 1 mg/ml Oral Solution treats children aged 2 years and over and adults:

Suffering from hay fever and year-round allergies such as dust or pet allergies. It can also be used to treat the symptoms of urticaria, also known as hives, where the skin looks blotchy, with white raised wheals (bumps) surrounded by redness.

The medicine contains cetirizine dihydrochloride which is an antihistamine that helps relieve allergy symptoms associated with the above conditions, such as sneezing, runny nose, watery eyes and skin rashes.

2 Before giving this medicine to your child

This medicine is suitable for most children aged 2 years and over, but a few people should not use it. If you are in any doubt, talk to your doctor or pharmacist. If you are

an adult taking this product you need to follow the same precautions as listed below for children.

X Do not give this medicine...

- If your child has ever had a **bad reaction to cetirizine dihydrochloride, to hydroxyzine or piperazine derivatives** or to any other ingredients of this medicine (See section 6).
- If your child has **serious kidney problems**.

If these apply to your child now or in the past, **get advice from a doctor or pharmacist without giving Benadryl Allergy Children's 1 mg/ml Oral Solution.**

! Talk to your doctor or pharmacist...

- If your child has **liver or kidney problems**, as they may need to take a lower dose.
- If your child is an **epileptic** or at **risk of convulsions (fits)**.
- If your child has difficulty **passing urine**, please ask your doctor for advice

If these bullet points apply to your child, **talk to a doctor or pharmacist.**

If you are an adult taking this medicine:

The following additional warning is included in case an adult takes this product.

- If you are pregnant or breast-feeding, think you may be pregnant or are planning to have a baby, ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice before taking this medicine.

! Special warnings about this medicine

- In most people this product does not cause drowsiness. However, there are rare exceptions and you should take care when you use this product for the first time. If this product makes you feel drowsy, do not drive or operate machinery.
- As with all antihistamines, it is advisable to avoid excessive alcohol consumption when taking this medicine.
- You should stop taking this product for 3 days before undergoing a skin allergy test because antihistamines can affect the results of the test.

! Some of the ingredients can cause problems

- Methyl (E218) and propyl (E216) parahydroxybenzoate may cause allergic reactions which could possibly be delayed.
- This product contains sorbitol. If you have been told by your doctor that your child has an intolerance to some sugars, contact your doctor before giving this medicine.

3 How to give this medicine to your child

Check the following tables to see how much medicine to give.

- For oral use only.
- Do not give more than the stated dose shown in the tables.

i Children under 2 years old:

This medicine is not recommended for children aged under 2 years old.

i Children aged 2 - 6 years:

Age	Dosage
Children aged 2 - 6 years	■ Give one 2.5 ml spoonful in the morning and one 2.5 ml spoonful in the evening.

i Children aged 6 - 12 years:

Age	Dosage
Children aged 6 - 12 years	■ Give one 5 ml spoonful in the morning and one 5 ml spoonful in the evening.