

Flucloxacillin

FORM 250mg/5ml S/F Oral suspension, (dry powder for reconstitution)

INDICATION 1 Treatment of infection where sensitivities indicate
2 S Aureus colonisation - Prophylaxis in cystic fibrosis

DOSE RANGE 1 Treatment of infection

AGE	DOSE	FREQUENCY	ROUTE
Neonate under 7 days	25mg/kg*	TWICE daily	Oral
Neonate 7-20 days	25mg/kg*	THREE times daily	Oral
Neonate 21-28 days	25mg/kg*	FOUR times daily	Oral
1 month – 6 months	62.5mg – 125mg	FOUR times daily	Oral

* On Consultant advice only dose may be doubled in severe infection if IV access not available. Note risk of significant GI side effects with higher dose.

DOSE RANGE 2 Cystic fibrosis prophylaxis

AGE	DOSE	FREQUENCY	ROUTE
Neonate under 5kg	62.5mg	TWICE daily	Oral
Neonate 5 -10kg	125mg	TWICE daily	Oral

CAUTIONS, CONTRA-INDICATIONS AND SIDE EFFECTS

- See Summary of Product Characteristics and most recent edition of BNF for Children (links below)

STORAGE Flucloxacillin suspension for oral use should be reconstituted as directed on bottle. After reconstitution flucloxacillin suspension should be stored in the fridge and has a limited shelf life (see directions on bottle)

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LINKS [BNF for Children](#) / [Electronic Medicines Compendium](#)

APPLICABLE POLICIES [West of Scotland Neonatal Guidelines](#):

Consult local policy if applicable

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Dose may vary depending on indication, age, renal function, hepatic function, and concomitant medications. This monograph should be used in conjunction with the package insert, BNF for Children, and Summary of Product Characteristics. For further advice contact your clinical pharmacist or pharmacy department.