

Furosemide

FORM

20mg/5ml oral solution

Special care required – other strengths available

INDICATION

Diuresis in cardiac or renal failure, pulmonary oedema or fluid overload

DOSE RANGE

AGE	DOSE	FREQUENCY	ROUTE
Neonate	500microgram to 2mg/kg/dose	1-2 times daily	Oral
Child 1 month – 6 months	500microgram to 2mg/kg/dose. Higher doses may be required in resistant oedema: max 12mg/kg daily. Do not exceed 80mg daily.	2-3 times daily	Oral

CAUTIONS, CONTRA-INDICATIONS AND SIDE EFFECTS

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

FURTHER INFORMATION

- Furosemide oral solution contains 10% ethanol (0.5ml ethanol per 5 ml dose)
- A marked fall in blood pressure may occur with concomitant treatment with an ACE inhibitor.
- Nephrocalcinosis has been reported in premature neonates

LICENSED STATUS

Unlicensed Special

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.