

Spironolactone

FORM Oral solution 50mg/5ml
(Oral solution 1mg/ml available on request for small doses)

INDICATION Prevention of hypokalaemia whilst on diuretic therapy

DOSE RANGE

AGE	DOSE*	FREQUENCY	ROUTE
Neonate	500micrograms-1mg/kg	12 hourly	Oral
1month- 6months	500micrograms-1.5mg/kg	12 hourly	Oral

*Higher doses of up to 7mg/kg/day in neonates or up to 9mg/kg/day in children 1 month and over may be used in resistant ascites (discuss with consultant before use)

CAUTIONS, CONTRA-INDICATIONS AND SIDE EFFECTS

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

FURTHER INFORMATION Caution required if also prescribed Potassium supplements or drugs likely to raise potassium levels. Monitor potassium levels closely

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.