

Package leaflet: Information for the user

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**Piriteze**  
hayfever & allergy  
10mg Film Coated Tablets  
Cetirizine Hydrochloride

Read all of this leaflet carefully before you start using this medicine because it contains important information for you.

Always use this medicine exactly as described in this leaflet or as your pharmacist has told you. This medicine is available without prescription, but you still need to use Piriteze Hayfever & Allergy Tablets carefully to get the best results from them.

- Keep this leaflet. You may need to read it again.
- Ask your pharmacist if you need more information of advice.
- If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor or pharmacist. This includes any possible side effects not listed in this leaflet. See section 4.
- You must talk to a doctor if you do not feel better or if you feel worse.

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**1. What Piriteze Hayfever & Allergy Tablets are and what they are used for**  
Piriteze Hayfever & Allergy Tablets are used to treat the allergic symptoms of hayfever (itchy or watery eyes, sneezing and a runny nose) and other allergies e.g. pet, house dust mite and mould spore allergies. They can also be used to relieve the rashes and itching of chronic urticaria (hives).

The active ingredient is cetirizine hydrochloride, an antihistamine which can help to relieve the symptoms of some allergies and itchy skin rashes.

**2. What you need to know before you take Piriteze Hayfever & Allergy Tablets**



**Do not take Piriteze Hayfever & Allergy Tablets:**

- If you have ever had an allergic reaction to antihistamines or to any of the other ingredients (listed in Section 6)
- If you have severe kidney problems.



**Take special care with Piriteze Hayfever & Allergy Tablets**

- If you have an intolerance to some sugars.
- **Be careful when drinking alcohol** while using Piriteze Hayfever & Allergy Tablets. They can increase the effects of drinking.
- **Do not drive or operate machinery** if the tablets make you feel drowsy. At the recommended dose, Piriteze Hayfever & Allergy Tablets do not cause drowsiness in the majority of people.
- Talk to your doctor or pharmacist before taking these tablets if you have **kidney problems** as you may need to take a lower dose.
- If you are **epileptic** or at **risk of convulsions (fits)**.
- If you are having an allergy skin test you need to wait 3 days after taking Piriteze Hayfever & Allergy Tablets.
- If you have an **enlarged prostate**. It may increase the risk of having **difficulty passing water**.



**Pregnancy and breast-feeding**

If you are **pregnant** or **breast-feeding**, talk to your doctor before taking these tablets.

**3. How to take Piriteze Hayfever & Allergy Tablets**



Adults and children aged 12 years and over: **Swallow one tablet once a day.**  
Children aged 6 to 12 years: **Swallow half a tablet twice a day.**  
Children under 6 years: **Not recommended.**

If you have **kidney problems** you should talk to your doctor or pharmacist for advice before taking these tablets as a **lower dose may be required.**

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- Do not take more than the recommended dose.
- Do not give to children under 6 years.

#### **If you take too many tablets**

Contact your doctor or casualty department. Do not drive if you have taken too many tablets.

#### **If you forget to take the tablets**

Take one as soon as you remember, unless it is nearly time to take the next one. Never take two doses together.

#### **If you stop taking the tablets:**

- Rarely, pruritus (intense itching) and/or urticaria may occur. If your symptoms persist, see your doctor.
- Seek medical advice if withdrawal symptoms are experienced.

If you have any further questions on the use of this medicine, ask your doctor or pharmacist.

#### **4. Possible side effects**

Like all medicines, Piriteze Hayfever & Allergy Tablets can have side effects, but not everybody gets them.

**Stop taking** the medicine and **seek immediate medical help** if you experience:

- Sudden signs of an allergic reaction such as developing a rash, swelling of the mouth or face or difficulty breathing
- Bruising or bleeding more easily than normal
- Convulsions or fits
- Loss of consciousness.

**Stop taking** the medicine and **tell your doctor if you experience:**

Confusion, hallucinations, or a rapid heart beat.

The following side effects may occur:

**Common** (may affect up to 1 in 10 people):

Headache or dizziness, drowsiness or tiredness, restlessness, dry mouth, sore throat, abdominal pain, diarrhoea, nausea [feeling sick], runny nose.

**Uncommon** (may affect up to 1 in 100 people):

Agitation, weakness, malaise, pins and needles, itching, rash or hives.

**Rare** (may affect up to 1 in 1,000 people):

Aggression, depression, weight gain, swelling, insomnia, movement disorders including tremor, muscle spasm and tics.

**Very Rare** (may affect up to 1 in 10,000 people):

Taste disorder, low blood platelets count, blurred vision, eye movement disorder, difficult or painful or involuntary urination.



**At a very low frequency that cannot be estimated:**

Increased appetite, nightmares, inflammation of the liver, hepatitis, skin eruptions, joint pain, memory loss, difficulty passing water or a feeling of dizziness. In very rare cases people have had suicidal thoughts when taking this medicine. If you experience these, stop taking the medicine and see your doctor.

**If you 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 the Yellow Card Scheme at: [www.mhra.gov.uk/yellowcard](http://www.mhra.gov.uk/yellowcard) or search for MHRA Yellow Card in the Google Play or Apple App Store. By reporting side effects you can help provide more information on the safety of this medicine.



#### **5. How to store Piriteze Hayfever & Allergy Tablets**

**Keep out of the sight and reach of children.**

Do not use this medicine after the 'EXP' date shown on the pack.

#### **6. Contents of the pack and other information**

**Active ingredient** Each tablet contains Cetirizine Hydrochloride 10 mg.

**Other ingredients** Microcrystalline cellulose, lactose monohydrate, colloidal anhydrous silica, magnesium stearate, hypromellose (E 464), macrogol 4000, titanium dioxide (E 171) and polydextrose.

Packs of Piriteze Hayfever & Allergy Tablets contain 4, 7, 12, 14, 28 or 30 tablets. Not all pack sizes may be marketed.

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