

BORIC ACID PESSARIES

This leaflet provides important information about using boric acid pessaries.

You should also speak to your doctor or pharmacist if you would like further information or if you have any concerns or questions about using boric acid.

WHAT IS IT USED FOR?

Boric acid is commonly used to treat vaginal tract infections and fungal overgrowths. It is used to specifically treat bacterial vaginosis and vaginal candidiasis due to non-albicans candida.

However, its exact mechanism of action appears to be unknown it has been suggested that it's fungistatic activity may be mediated by vaginal acidification.

WHAT SHOULD I KNOW BEFORE I USING?

BEFORE YOU START

Let us know if you are:

- Sensitive to any medicines, foods, colours or preservatives.
- Taking estrogen (birth control pills or hormone replacement therapy)
- Taking a magnesium supplement.

WHEN YOU MUST NOT USE IT:

- Boric acid should not be used in pregnancy due to risk of teratogenic effects.
- Due to lacking evidence in lactating mother's Boric acid is not recommended whilst breastfeeding.
- If you are younger than 12 years of age.
- If you have open sores, wounds, or ulcerations in your vaginal area.

HOW TO USE:

HOW MUCH TO USE

Insert ONE capsule into the vagina at night lying down just before bed. Wash your hands before and after use.

DO NOT SWALLOW THIS MEDICINE

IF YOU FORGET TO USE IT

If it is almost time for your next dose, skip the dose you missed and take your next dose when you are meant to. Otherwise, take your dose as soon as you remember, and then go back to taking it as you would normally.

Do not take a double dose to make up for the dose that you missed.

IF YOU USE TOO MUCH (OVERDOSE)

Please contact your doctor/pharmacist as soon as possible or call the Poisons Information Centre (13 11 26).

ARE THERE ANY SIDE EFFECTS?

Ask your doctor or pharmacist to answer any questions you may have.

Short courses of intravaginal boric acid are generally well tolerated. The most common adverse effects reported include a watery discharge, erythema and a burning sensation. Long term use safety data is lacking and it is not recommended for ongoing use.

This medicine will not treat or prevent sexually transmitted disease.

PRODUCT DETAILS:

STORAGE

Keep this medicine out of reach of children in the original container supplied.



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THE ART & SCIENCE OF COMPOUNDING

This medicine is best stored in a cool dry place away from direct sunlight at temperatures below 25°C.

Product expires 6 months after preparation based on stability data supplied by our raw ingredient manufacturers.

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Vegetable capsule filled with white powder.

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