

GLUCOSE 5% and 10% FREEFLEX INJECTION

Consumer Medicine Information (CMI) summary

The [full CMI](#) on the next page has more details. If you are worried about using this medicine, speak to your doctor or pharmacist.

1. Why am I using GLUCOSE 5% AND 10% FREEFLEX INJECTION ?

Glucose 5% and 10% Injection contains the active ingredient Glucose.

Glucose Injection is used to treat dehydration and low blood sugar levels.

Ask your doctor if you have any questions about why this medicine has been prescribed for you.

For more information, see Section [1. Why am I using Glucose 5% and 10% Freeflex?](#) in the full CMI.

2. What should I know before I use GLUCOSE 5% AND 10% FREEFLEX INJECTION?

Glucose Injection will only be used if the solution is clear or slightly yellow, free of particles.

It should not be administered after the expiry date printed on the pack, if the pack is torn or shows signs of tampering.

You should not be given Glucose Injection if you are pregnant or breastfeeding unless your doctor says so.

For more information, see Section [2. What should I know before I use Glucose 5% and 10% Freeflex?](#) in the full CMI.

3. What if I am taking other medicines?

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking any other medicines, including any that you buy without a prescription from your pharmacy, supermarket or health food shop.

Your doctor or pharmacist can tell you what to do if you are taking any of these medicines.

A list of these medicines is in Section [3. What if I am taking other medicines?](#) in the full CMI.

4. How do I use GLUCOSE 5% AND 10% FREEFLEX INJECTION?

Glucose will be given to you by your doctor or a nurse by infusion or drip in the vein. Your doctor will have experience in injecting Glucose Injection and will choose the best dose for you

More instructions can be found in Section [4. How do I use Glucose 5% and 10% Freeflex?](#) in the full CMI.

5. What should I know while using GLUCOSE 5% AND 10% FREEFLEX INJECTION ?

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| Things you should do | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you're are taking any other medicines, including any that you buy without a prescription from your pharmacy, supermarket or health food shop |
| Looking after your medicine | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Glucose Injection will be stored by your doctor or pharmacist under the recommended conditions.• It should be kept in a cool dry place where the temperature stays below 25°C. |

For more information, see Section [5. What should I know while using Glucose 5% and Glucose 10% Freeflex?](#) in the full CMI.

6. Are there any side effects?

All medicines have can have side effects. Sometimes they are serious, most of the time they are not.

Some patients experience local pain at the site of injection or a warm flush. Always tell your doctor if you have any unpleasant side effects.

For more information, including what to do if you have any side effects, see Section [6. Are there any side effects?](#) in the full CMI.

GLUCOSE 5% and 10% Injection

Active ingredient(s): *Glucose monohydrate*

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This leaflet provides important information about using Glucose 5% and Glucose 10% Injection. **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 Glucose 5% and Glucose 10% Injection.**

Where to find information in this leaflet:

- [1. Why am I using Glucose 5% and Glucose 10% Injection?](#)
- [2. What should I know before I use Glucose 5% and Glucose 10% Injection?](#)
- [3. What if I am taking other medicines?](#)
- [4. How do I use Glucose 5% and Glucose 10% Injection?](#)
- [5. What should I know while using Glucose 5% and Glucose 10% Injection?](#)
- [6. Are there any side effects?](#)
- [7. Product details](#)

1. Why am I using GLUCOSE INJECTION?

Glucose Injection contains the active ingredient **Glucose monohydrate**.

Glucose is a sugar which provides energy for the body. Glucose Injection is used to treat dehydration and low blood sugar levels.

Your doctor will have explained why you are being treated with Glucose Injection and told you what dose you will be given.

Your doctor may have prescribed it for another reason. Ask your doctor if you have any questions about why this medicine has been prescribed for you.

2. What should I know before I use GLUCOSE INJECTION?

Warnings

You should not be given Glucose **Injection** if:

- If the solution is not clear.
- Through the same tubing as those containing blood.
- After the expiry date printed on the pack.
- If the packaging is torn or shows sign of tampering.

It may have no effect at all, or worse, an entirely

unexpected effect if you are given it after the expiry date has passed.

During treatment, you may be at risk of developing certain side effects. It is important you understand these risks and how to monitor for them. See additional information under Section [6. Are there any side effects?](#)

Pregnancy and breastfeeding

Check with your doctor if you are pregnant or intend to become pregnant.

You should not be given Glucose Injection if you have an allergy to:

- Any ingredient listed at the end of this leaflet
- Corn (maize) or corn substances
- Any similar medicines to Glucose Injection

Some symptoms of an allergic reaction may include:

- Shortness of breath
- Wheezing or difficulty breathing
- Swelling of the face, lips, tongue or other parts of the body
- Skin rash, itching or hives

You should not be given Glucose Injection if you have, or have had, any of the following medical conditions:

- Diabetic coma where blood sugar levels are excessively high
- Difficulty digesting sugar
- No production or passing of urine
- Bleeding within the head or spine
- Vitamin B1 deficiency
- Low blood potassium, magnesium or phosphorus
- Infections
- Stroke

It may not be safe for you to be given Glucose Injection you have any of these conditions

Glucose Injection should be given with caution to infants of diabetic mothers.

3. What if I am taking other medicines?

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking any other medicines, including any medicines, vitamins or

supplements that you buy without a prescription from your pharmacy, supermarket or health food shop that includes:

- Corticosteroids
- Alcohol
- Corticotrophin

Check with your doctor or pharmacist if you are not sure about what medicines, vitamins or supplements you are taking and if these affect Glucose Injection.

4. How do I use GLUCOSE INJECTION?

How much Glucose injection is given

Glucose Injection will be given to you by your doctor or specially trained nurse by infusion or drip into the vein.

This allows the Glucose Injection to reach the body quickly, where it will treat dehydration and low blood sugar levels.

The dosage you will be given will depend on your age, weight, medical condition and response. Your doctor will have experience in injecting Glucose Injection and will choose the best dose for you.

If you use too much Glucose Injection

This rarely happens as Glucose Injection is usually administered under the care of a trained professional in a hospital or clinic setting.

However, if you are given Glucose Injection too quickly or too much, you may become confused or dehydrate. Tell your health care professional immediately.

5. What should I know while using Glucose Injection?

Looking after your medicine

Glucose Injection will be stored by your doctor or pharmacist under the recommended conditions.

It should be stored in a cool dry place where the temperature stays below 25°C.

When to discard your medicine (as relevant)

Any Glucose Injection which is not used and which is left in the container, will be disposed of in a safe manner by your doctor or pharmacist.

Getting rid of any unwanted medicine

If you no longer need to use this medicine or it is out of date, take it to any pharmacy for safe disposal.

Do not use this medicine after the expiry date.

6. Are there any side effects?

Tell your doctor or pharmacist as soon as possible if you do not feel well while you are being given Glucose Injection.

All medicines can have some side effects. Sometimes they are serious, most of the time they are not. You may need medical treatment if you get some of the side effects.

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

The following is a list of possible side effects. Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you notice any of the following:

- Shortness of breath
- Flushing
- Swelling
- Fever
- Infection at the site of injection
- Inflammation at the site of injection
- Passing large amounts of urine, excessive thirst and having a dry mouth and skin

Do not be alarmed by this list. You may not experience any of them.

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you notice anything else that may be making you feel unwell.

Other side effects not listed here may occur in some people.

Reporting side effects

After you have received medical advice for any side effects you experience, you can report side effects to the Therapeutic Goods Administration online at www.tga.gov.au/reporting-problems. By reporting side effects, you can help provide more information on the safety of this medicine.

Always make sure you speak to your doctor or pharmacist before you decide to stop taking any of your medicines.

7. Product details

This medicine is only available with a doctor's prescription.

What Glucose Injection contains

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| Active ingredient (main ingredient) | Glucose |
| Other ingredients (inactive ingredients) | Water for Injections |
| Potential allergens | None |

Do not take this medicine if you are allergic to any of these ingredients.

What Glucose Injection looks like

Glucose Injection looks like a clear colourless or slightly yellow solution in a Freeflex bag. It comes in various pack sizes. They can be identified by the AUST R numbers;

Freeflex Bags

Glucose 5%

50mL AUST R 144669
100mL AUST R 144671
250mL AUST R 144672
500mL AUST R 29599
1000mL AUST R 47389

Glucose 10%

500mL AUST R 29790

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