

Package Leaflet: Information for the user

Cepton Medicated Skin Wash

chlorhexidine gluconate

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

Always use Cepton Medicated Skin Wash exactly as described in this leaflet or as your doctor or pharmacist has told you.

- Keep this leaflet. You may need to read it again.
- Ask your pharmacist if you need more information or advice.
- If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor or pharmacist. This includes any possible side effects not listed in this leaflet.
- You must talk to your doctor if your condition does not improve or gets worse.

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1. What Cepton Medicated Skin Wash is and what it is used for

Cepton Medicated Skin Wash is a daily treatment that contains the antiseptic chlorhexidine gluconate which kills harmful bacteria on the skin that cause spots and acne, whilst providing a protective shield against bacterial infections for several hours after use to help prevent further outbreaks. It also removes oil and sebum, and helps spots to dry more quickly.

Acne is a common condition where tiny holes (pores) on the surface of the skin become blocked causing spots to develop, usually on the face, back and chest. The spots can range from whiteheads and blackheads to red, inflamed pus-filled spots and cysts.

2. What you need to know before you use Cepton Medicated Skin Wash

Do not use Cepton Medicated Skin Wash if you are allergic (hypersensitive) to chlorhexidine gluconate or any of the other ingredients of Cepton Medicated Skin Wash (see section 6).

Warnings and precautions

- Cepton Medicated Skin Wash should only be used on your skin.
- Do not let it get into your eyes. Treat accidental splashes into the eyes by rinsing them immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.
- Do not let it get into your ears. If it does, rinse thoroughly with water.
- If your spots or acne do not get better, or your skin becomes irritated, talk to your pharmacist or doctor.

Other medicines and Cepton Medicated Skin Wash

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are using, have recently used or might use any other medicines.

Pregnancy and breast-feeding

Consult your doctor or pharmacist before using Cepton Medicated Skin Wash if you are pregnant, planning to become pregnant or are breast-feeding.

3. How to use Cepton Medicated Skin Wash

Always use this medicine exactly as described in this leaflet or as your doctor or pharmacist has told you. Check with your doctor or pharmacist if you are not sure.

Apply Cepton Medicated Skin Wash to the area to be treated morning and night as follows:

- Remove any make-up
- Wet your hands and face with water
- Wash with undiluted skin wash, then rinse off. Avoid scrubbing the skin too hard as this could irritate it
- Wash with undiluted skin wash again then rinse. For maximum effect, leave the second wash on the skin for one minute before rinsing.

Do not mix Cepton Medicated Skin Wash with soap or detergents.

If you accidentally swallow Cepton Medicated Skin Wash: drink plenty of milk or water and consult a doctor or pharmacist immediately.

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

4. Possible Side Effects

Like all medicines, Cepton Medicated Skin Wash can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them.

- **If you experience any of the following stop using Cepton Medicated Skin Wash and get immediate medical help:** swelling of the face, lips, tongue or throat; a red itchy skin rash; wheezing or difficulty breathing; feeling faint and dizzy; a strange metallic taste in the mouth; collapse. You may be having an allergic reaction.
- If you develop a rash or your skin becomes itchy, red, dry or inflamed where you have used the skin wash, stop using it and talk to your doctor or pharmacist.

Reporting of side effects

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

By reporting side effects you can help provide more information on the safety of this medicine.

5. How to store Cepton Medicated Skin Wash

- Keep this medicine out of the sight and reach of children.
- Do not store above 25°C. Store it in the original packaging.
- Do not use Cepton Medicated Skin Wash after the expiry date shown on the bottle and carton. The expiry date refers to the last day of that month.

Do not throw away any medicines via wastewater or household waste. Ask your pharmacist how to throw away medicines you no longer use. These measures will help to protect the environment.

6. Contents of the pack and other information

What Cepton Medicated Skin Wash contains

The active substance is chlorhexidine gluconate (1% w/v). The other ingredients are polyoxyethylene polyoxypropylene block co-polymer, lauryl dimethyl amine oxide, Ponceau 4R (E124), isopropyl alcohol, D-gluconolactone, sodium hydroxide and water.

What Cepton Medicated Skin Wash looks like and contents of the pack

Cepton Medicated Skin Wash is a clear red liquid. It is available in plastic bottles with screw caps containing 150ml.

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