# **Metatone**

Read all of this leaflet carefully because it contains important information for you. This medicine is available without prescription. However, you still need to use Metatone carefully to get the best results from it.

- · Keep this leaflet. You may need to read it again.
- Ask your pharmacist if you need more information or advice.
- You should talk to a doctor if taking Metatone does not improve your health.
- If you notice any side effects please discuss these with your doctor or pharmacist.

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# 1. What Metatone is and what it is used for

Metatone is a tonic containing vitamins and minerals used to help restore health and vitality after illnesses, such as a colds and flu, or when you are feeling tired and run down.

# 2. Before you take or give Metatone

#### Do not use this medicine:

- if you are allergic (hypersensitive) to any of the ingredients of Metatone
- · for a child who is less than 6 years old.

## Taking other medicines

Metatone is not known to interfere with other medicines.

## Pregnancy and breast feeding

Talk to your doctor before taking Metatone if you are pregnant or breast feeding.

# **Important information about some of the ingredients of Metatone** (see section 6 for full list of ingredients)

This product contains amaranth (E123) which may cause an allergic reaction. If this happens, stop taking the medicine and get medical help straight away.

This product contains glucose and sucrose. It may be harmful to your teeth.

If you have been told by your doctor that you or your child has an intolerance to some sugars, consult your doctor before using Metatone.

Metatone contains 11% ethanol (alcohol), i.e. up to 442mg per 5ml dose, equivalent to 11ml beer or 5ml wine per dose. This may be harmful to those suffering from alcoholism. This should also be taken into account in pregnant or breastfeeding women, and high risk groups such as patients with liver disease or epilepsy.

This product contains 16.4 mg sodium per 5 ml dose. This should be taken into consideration by patients on a controlled sodium diet

#### 3. How to take Metatone

Adults, children over 12 years and elderly people: Take before meals. One or two 5 ml spoonfuls two or three times a day. Do not take more than 30 ml Metatone each day.

Children over 6 years old: Take before meals. One 5 ml spoonful two or three times a day. Do not take more than 15 ml Metatone each day.

Do not give to children under 6 years, except on the advice of your doctor.

Dilute if required. When diluted with water use within 14 days.

#### If you miss a dose:

Take or give one as soon as you remember unless it is nearly time for the next dose. Do not take or give an extra dose to make up for the one missed.

## If you use too much:

Tell your doctor straight away if you or your child drink too much of this medicine.

#### 4. Possible side effects

Like all medicines, this medicine can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them.

Stop taking the medicine and tell your doctor immediately if you experience any of the following side effects:

- Difficulty swallowing or breathing
- Swelling of the face, lips, tongue or throat
- Skin rash

The above symptoms may mean you are having a severe allergic reaction to this medicine.

Stop taking the medicine if you experience any of the following:

Abdominal discomfort, nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea or constipation (frequency unknown)

#### 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. Storing Metatone

Store below 25°C. Keep the bottle upright in its original carton. Keep out of the reach and sight of children. Do not use Metatone after the date (month and year) printed after "EXP" on the box. If the expiry date has passed, take the product back to your pharmacist for safe disposal. Do not use if the bottle cap seal is broken or damaged when you buy it.

#### 6. Further information

Metatone is a clear red liquid in a 300 or 500 ml bottle.

#### Active substances:

Each 5 ml dose contains thiamine hydrochloride (Vitamin  $B_1$ ) 500 micrograms, calcium glycerophosphate 45.6 mg, potassium glycerophosphate 45.6 mg, sodium glycerophosphate 22.8 mg and manganese glycerophosphate NFX 697 micrograms.

#### Other ingredients:

Sucrose, phosphoric acid, glucose syrup, sodium citrate, ethanol, amaranth (E123), caramel (E150), mixed oils (composed of Bitter Orange Oil, Orange Oil, Nutmeg Oil, Clove Oil, Cassia Oil, Anethole and Caraway Oil) and water.

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