

VirusPOS

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 VirusPOS?

VirusPOS contains the active ingredient aciclovir. VirusPOS is used to treat an eye infection called herpes simplex keratitis. This is a viral infection in the eye. It is not used in other infections in the eye such as conjunctivitis. This medicine is available only on prescription.

For more information, see Section [1. Why am I using VirusPOS?](#) in the full CMI.

2. What should I know before I use VirusPOS?

Do not use if you have ever had an allergic reaction to VirusPOS or any of the ingredients listed at the end of the CMI.

Talk to your doctor if you have any other medical conditions, take any other medicines, or are pregnant or plan to become pregnant or are breastfeeding.

For more information, see Section [2. What should I know before I use VirusPOS?](#) in the full CMI.

3. What if I am taking other medicines?

Currently there is no information available if some medicines may interfere with VirusPOS.

4. How do I use VirusPOS?

- VirusPOS is usually applied five times a day – about every four hours while you are awake.

More instructions can be found in Section [4. How do I use VirusPOS?](#) in the full CMI.

5. What should I know while using VirusPOS?

Things you should do	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Remind any doctor, dentist or pharmacist you visit that you are using VirusPOS.• If the symptoms of your infection do not improve within a few days, or if they become worse, tell your doctor.• If you develop itching with swelling of the face, a skin rash or difficulty breathing while you are using VirusPOS eye ointment, do not use any more and contact your doctor immediately.• If you become pregnant while you are using VirusPOS eye ointment, tell your doctor or pharmacist.• Throw VirusPOS away 4 weeks after opening.
Things you should not do	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Do not stop using this medicine suddenly.• Do not give VirusPOS to anyone else, even if they have the same condition as you.• Do not use VirusPOS to treat any other complaints including any other eye infections.
Driving or using machines	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• There is no information on whether VirusPOS affects the ability to drive or operate machinery. If you have blurred vision after applying the ointment, do not drive or operate machinery.
Looking after your medicine	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Store in a cool dry place where the temperature stays below 25 °C.• Heat and dampness can destroy some medicines. Do not keep medicines in the bathroom or near a sink.• Do not leave it in the car or on window sills.• Discard tube 4 weeks after opening it.• Store all medicines out of the reach of children such as in a locked cupboard.

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

6. Are there any side effects?

Tell your doctor or pharmacist as soon as possible if you do not feel well while you are using VirusPOS eye ointment.

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.

VirusPOS

Active ingredient: *Aciclovir*

Consumer Medicine Information (CMI)

This leaflet provides important information about using VirusPOS. **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 VirusPOS.**

This leaflet answers some common questions about VirusPOS. It does not contain all the available information. It does not take the place of talking to your doctor or pharmacist.

Please read this leaflet before you start using VirusPOS. If you are helping someone else use VirusPOS, please read this leaflet before using it for the first time.

All medicines have risks and benefits. Your doctor has weighed the expected benefits against possible risks of you using VirusPOS. If you have any concerns about using this medicine, ask your doctor or pharmacist.

Keep this leaflet with the medicine. You may need to read it again.

Where to find information in this leaflet:

- [1. Why am I using VirusPOS?](#)
- [2. What should I know before I use VirusPOS?](#)
- [3. What if I am taking other medicines?](#)
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1. Why am I using VirusPOS?

VirusPOS contains the active ingredient aciclovir.

VirusPOS eye ointment contains an antiviral used to treat an eye infection called herpes simplex keratitis. This is a viral infection in the eye. It is not used in other infections in the eye such as conjunctivitis.

This medicine is available only on prescription.

2. What should I know before I use VirusPOS?

Warnings

Do not use VirusPOS if:

- you have an allergy to VirusPOS eye ointment, acyclovir, valaciclovir or any of the ingredients listed at the end of this leaflet.

- the packaging is torn or shows signs of tampering, or the ointment has changed colour.
- it is past the expiry date printed on the pack.
- you use this medicine after the expiry date has passed, it may not work
- it is more than one month after you first opened the tube of ointment
- Always check the ingredients to make sure you can use this medicine.

If you are not sure whether you should start using VirusPOS eye ointment, contact your doctor.

Do not give this medicine to anyone else. Your doctor has prescribed it specifically for you and your condition only.

Check with your doctor if you:

- have any other medical conditions.
- take any medicines for any other condition.
- you have any allergies to any other medicines or any other substances, such as foods, preservatives or dyes.
- you are pregnant or intend to become pregnant.
- you are breastfeeding or planning to breastfeed.

There is no information on whether VirusPOS affects the ability to drive or operate machinery. If you have blurred vision after applying the ointment, do not drive or operate machinery.

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.

Talk to your doctor if you are breastfeeding or intend to breastfeed.

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.

Currently there is no information available if some medicines may interfere with VirusPOS.

4. How do I use ViruPOS?

How much to use

- Follow your doctor's instructions about how and when to use ViruPOS eye ointment.
- ViruPOS eye ointment is usually applied five times a day – about every four hours while you are awake.
- Do not touch the nozzle of the eye ointment or the eye ointment as it comes out of the tube. Wash your hands well with soap and dry them thoroughly before you apply the eye ointment.
- With your finger under the bottom eye lid, pull the skin down gently so that the bottom eye lid comes down creating a little pocket between the eye and the eye lid. Put 10mm (1cm, just under half an inch) of ointment into this pocket. Release the eye lid and blink a couple of times to spread the ointment across the eye.
- Follow the instructions provided when ViruPOS was prescribed, including the number of days it should be used.

When to use ViruPOS

- ViruPOS should be used for at least three days after the eye infection has cleared up

If you forget to use ViruPOS

If you forget a dose of ViruPOS eye ointment use it as soon as you remember, then continue to use approximately every four hours.

It is important not to miss multiple doses of ViruPOS – it needs to be used regularly to work properly.

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

If you use too much ViruPOS

Overdosing with ViruPOS eye ointment when it is applied to the skin is unlikely. If you think that someone has accidentally swallowed ViruPOS, you may need urgent medical attention.

You should immediately:

- phone the Poisons Information Centre (by calling **13 11 26**), or
- contact your doctor, or
- go to the Emergency Department at your nearest hospital.

You should do this even if there are no signs of discomfort or poisoning.

5. What should I know while using ViruPOS?

Things you should do

- If the symptoms of your infection do not improve within a few days, or if they become worse, tell your doctor.

- If you develop itching with swelling of the face, a skin rash or difficulty breathing while you are using ViruPOS, do not use any more and contact your doctor immediately.
- If you become pregnant while you are using ViruPOS eye ointment, tell your doctor or pharmacist.
- Throw ViruPOS eye ointment away 4 weeks after opening.

Call your doctor straight away if you:

If you develop itching with swelling of the face, a skin rash or difficulty breathing while you are using ViruPOS eye ointment.

Remind any doctor, dentist or pharmacist you visit that you are using ViruPOS.

Things you should not do

- Do not stop using this medicine suddenly.
- Do not give ViruPOS eye ointment to anyone else, even if they have the same condition as you.
- Do not use ViruPOS eye ointment to treat any other complaints including any other eye infections.

Driving or using machines

Be careful before you drive or use any machines or tools until you know how ViruPOS affects you.

There is no information on whether ViruPOS affects the ability to drive or operate machinery. If you have blurred vision after applying the ointment, do not drive or operate machinery.

Looking after your medicine

- Store all medicines out of the reach of children such as in a locked cupboard.
- Store in a cool dry place where the temperature stays below 25 °C.

Follow the instructions in the carton on how to take care of your medicine properly.

Store it in a cool dry place away from moisture, heat or sunlight; for example, do not store it:

- in the bathroom or near a sink, or
- in the car or on window sills.

Keep it where young children cannot reach it.

When to discard your medicine

- Discard tube 4 weeks after opening it.
- If your doctor advises you to stop using ViruPOS eye ointment, the medicine has passed its expiry date, or it is more than 4 weeks after opening, ask your pharmacist what to do with any ointment that is left over.

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 taking Viru-POS eye ointment.

All medicines can have side effects. If you do experience any side effects, most of them are minor and temporary. However, some side effects may need medical attention.

See the information below and, if you need to, ask your doctor or pharmacist if you have any further questions about side effects.

Less serious side effects

Less serious side effects	What to do
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Mild stinging of the eye straight after applying the ointment. This usually only lasts a short time.Itchy, watery eyes, (conjunctivitis)	Speak to your doctor if you have any of these less serious side effects and they are ongoing or they worry you.

Serious side effects

Serious side effects	What to do
<ul style="list-style-type: none">If you think that ViruPOS is causing you to have an allergic (hypersensitivity) reaction, TELL YOUR DOCTOR IMMEDIATELY. Symptoms include:<ul style="list-style-type: none">Severe skin rash, itching or hivesSwelling of the face, lips, mouth or throatDifficulty breathing or swallowingLow blood pressure (feeling faint or dizzy).	Call your doctor straight away, or go straight to the Emergency Department at your nearest hospital if you notice any of these serious side effects.

You may need urgent medical attention. Serious side effects are very rare.

Other side effects reported with ViruPOS eye ointment include:

- Marks on the surface of the eye that look like points or dots. You don't need to stop using ViruPOS and the marks will disappear again.

Some people may get other side effects while using ViruPOS. Ask your doctor or pharmacist if you don't understand anything in this list.

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

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

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 ViruPOS contains

Active ingredient (main ingredient)	Aciclovir
Other ingredients (inactive ingredients)	White soft paraffin base

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

What ViruPOS looks like

ViruPOS eye ointment is a near-white, translucent (allows light through) eye ointment in a 4.5 g white aluminium tube with nozzle and cap. (Aust R 324902).

Who distributes ViruPOS

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