

ATROPT 1% eye drops

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 ATROPT 1% Eye Drops?

ATROPT 1% eye drops contain the active ingredient atropine (as atropine sulfate monohydrate). ATROPT 1% eye drops are used in eye examinations as well as other circumstances when the pupil is to be widened and/or the accommodation frozen.

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

2. What should I know before I use ATROPT 1% Eye Drops?

Do not use if you have ever had an allergic reaction to ATROPT 1% 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 ATROPT 1% eye drops?](#) in the full CMI.

3. What if I am taking other medicines?

Some medicines may interfere with ATROPT 1% and affect how it works.

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 ATROPT 1% Eye Drops?

- Your doctor will advise you on how much and how often you should use ATROPT 1% eye drops.
- Gently pull out the lower eyelid to form a sac. Allow one drop to fall into the sac without touching the eye with the dropper end of the bottle.
- To minimise absorption of the drug other than into the eye, apply gentle pressure to the tear duct for approximately one minute immediately after application.

More instructions can be found in Section [4. How do I use ATROPT 1% eye drops?](#) in the full CMI.

5. What should I know while using ATROPT 1% eye drops?

Things you should do	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Remind any doctor, dentist or pharmacist you visit that you are using ATROPT 1% eye drops.• Tell your doctor if you have not used your medicine as prescribed.• Tell your doctor if your medication is not helping your condition.
Things you should not do	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Do not give ATROPT 1% to anyone else even though their symptoms seem similar to yours.• Do not use this medicine for other conditions unless your doctor tells you.
Driving or using machines	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The pupil dilation will last for up to 12 days. This can make driving or using machinery difficult and possibly hazardous. Special care is needed at these times.
Looking after your medicine	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Keep ATROPT 1% eye drops in a cool dry place, protected from light where the temperature stays below 25°C. Discard 4 weeks after opening.

For more information, see Section [5. What should I know while using ATROPT 1% Eye Drops?](#) in the full CMI.

6. Are there any side effects?

Common side effects of ATROPT 1% Eye Drops mainly relate to the eye or eye area. These include temporarily blurred vision; burning, stinging, redness, or watering of the eyes; and conjunctivitis (or pink eye). Serious side effects may also occur, mainly if too much of the medication is absorbed into the rest of the body. Signs of this include flushing and dryness of the skin; rapid and irregular pulse; fever, mental aberrations; loss of muscular coordination; dizziness or light-headedness; fatigue or lethargy; shortness of breath; or confusion, disorientation or altered mental state.

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.

ATROPT 1% eye drops

Active ingredient: *atropine sulfate monohydrate*

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This leaflet provides important information about using ATROPT 1% eye drops.

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 ATROPT 1%.

Where to find information in this leaflet:

- [1. Why am I using ATROPT 1% eye drops?](#)
- [2. What should I know before I use ATROPT 1% eye drops?](#)
- [3. What if I am taking other medicines?](#)
- [4. How do I use ATROPT 1% eye drops?](#)
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1. Why am I using ATROPT 1% eye drops?

ATROPT 1% eye drops contains the active ingredient atropine (as atropine sulfate monohydrate). ATROPT 1% belongs to a group of medications called anticholinergics, and works by widening the pupil of the eye, blocking its ability to change the focus of the eye.

ATROPT 1% eye drops are used in eye examinations as well as other circumstances when the pupil is to be widened and/or the accommodation frozen.

Ask your doctor if you have any questions about why ATROPT 1% eye drops have been prescribed for you.

Your doctor may have prescribed it for another reason.

2. What should I know before I use ATROPT 1% eye drops?

Warnings

Do not use ATROPT 1% if:

- you are allergic to atropine, or any of the ingredients listed at the end of this leaflet.**
 - some symptoms of an allergic reaction may include shortness of breath, wheezing or difficulty in breathing; swelling of the face, lips, tongue or any other parts of the body; rash, itching or hives on the skin.
 - always check the ingredients to make sure you can use this medicine.
- you have angle closure glaucoma or a family history of glaucoma.**

- the packaging shows signs of tampering**
- the expiry date on the label has passed.**

Check with your doctor if you:

- have any other medical conditions, especially glaucoma or a family history of glaucoma
- wear contact lenses
- take any medicines for any other condition
- have had any allergy to any other medicines or any other substances, such as food, preservatives, or dyes.

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.

Use in children

- Do not use in children less than 2 years old unless directed to by your doctor.**
- Do not use in children who have had a previous reaction to atropine.**

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.

Some medicines may interfere with ATROPT 1% and affect how it works. These include:

- medicines to treat glaucoma
- some medicines used to treat depression
- some antihistamines
- some medicines used to treat Parkinson's disease
- some medicines used to treat mental illness
- medicines used to treat muscle weakness
- potassium supplements.

Check with your doctor or pharmacist if you are not sure about what medicines, vitamins or supplements you are taking and if these affect ATROPT 1% eye drops.

4. How do I use ATROPT 1% eye drops?

How much to use

Your doctor will advise you on how much and how often you should use ATROPT 1% eye drops.

The usual dosage is one drop into the eye as required for treatment.

How to use it

Gently pull out the lower eyelid to form a sac. Allow one drop to fall into the sac without touching the eye with the dropper end of the bottle.

To minimise absorption of the drug other than into the eye, apply gentle pressure to the tear duct for approximately one minute immediately after application.

If you forget to use ATROPT 1% eye drops

Use it as soon as you remember and then return to your normal dosing time.

If it is almost time for your next dose, skip the dose you missed and use your next dose when you are meant to.

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

If you use too much or accidentally swallow ATROPT 1% eye drops

If you think that you have swallowed or used too much ATROPT 1%, 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 ATROPT 1% eye drops?

Things you should do

Tell your doctor if you feel that ATROPT 1% eye drops are not helping your condition.

Tell your doctor if, for any reason, you have not used your medicine as prescribed.

Otherwise your doctor may think that it was not effective and change your treatment unnecessarily.

Always discuss with your doctor any problems or difficulties during or after using this medicine.

Remind any doctor, dentist or pharmacist you visit that you are using ATROPT 1% eye drops.

Things you should not do

- **Do not give ATROPT 1% to anyone else even though their symptoms seem similar to yours.**
- **Do not use it for other conditions unless your doctor tells you.**
- **Do not give this medicine to small children.**

Driving or using machines

The pupil dilation may last for up to 12 days. This can make driving or using machinery difficult and possibly hazardous. While the pupil is dilated you may experience distorted vision, lack of tolerance to bright light or sunlight, and possible distortion of your balance. Special care is needed at these times.

Looking after your medicine

Keep ATROPT 1% Eye Drops in a cool dry place, protected from light where the temperature stays below 25°C.

For example, do not store it:

- In the bathroom or near a sink, or
- In the car on a hot day

Heat and dampness can destroy some medicines.

Keep it where young children cannot reach it.

When to discard your medicine

Discard 4 weeks after opening.

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?

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">• temporary blurred vision• burning, stinging, redness or watering of the eyes.• conjunctivitis (or pink eye).	Speak to your doctor if you have any of these less serious side effects and they worry you.

Serious side effects

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Serious side effects	What to do
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• flushing and dryness of the skin• rapid and irregular pulse• fever• mental aberrations• loss of muscular coordination.• eyelid swelling.	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.

Who distributes ATROPT 1% eye drops

Aspen Pharmacare Australia Pty Ltd
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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 ATROPT 1% Eye Drops contains

Active ingredient (main ingredient)	atropine sulfate monohydrate: 10 mg/mL (1%)
Other ingredients (inactive ingredients)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• disodium edetate• benzalkonium chloride• hypromellose• boric acid• water for injections.
Potential allergens	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• benzalkonium chloride (preservative)

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

What ATROPT 1% eye drops look like

ATROPT 1% eye drops are a clear or almost clear, slightly viscous, colourless sterile liquid which foams on shaking. It is odourless.

Available in a 15 mL plastic dropper bottle with a tamper proof cap.