

CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S

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 CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S?

CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S contains the active ingredient carboprost trometamol. CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S is used to stop or treat bleeding that happens after a birth.

For more information, see Section [1. Why am I using CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S?](#) in the full CMI.

2. What should I know before I use CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S?

Do not use if you have ever had an allergic reaction to carboprost trometamol 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 breastfeeding.

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

3. How do I use CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S?

- CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S is administered by healthcare professionals
- It is given as an injection into a muscle.

Detailed instructions on administration of CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S can be found in Section [3. How do I use CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S?](#) in the full CMI.

4. What should I know while using CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S?

Things you should do	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Remind any doctor, dentist or pharmacist you visit that you are using CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S.• A short-term fever may happen with this drug. Be sure you know when you need to call your doctor or get medical help if you get a fever after getting this drug.
Things you should not do	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Do not take this medicine if you are allergic to any of the ingredients listed at the end of this leaflet.
Driving or using machines	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Do not drive or operate any machinery if you feel tired or dizzy after using CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S.
Looking after your medicine	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• This injection will be given to you in a healthcare setting. You will not store it at home.

For more information, see Section [4. What should I know while using CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S?](#) in the full CMI.

5. Are there any side effects?

For more information, including what to do if you have any side effects, see Section [5. Are there any side effects?](#) in the full CMI.

CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S

Active ingredient(s): *carboprost trometamol*

Consumer Medicine Information (CMI)

This leaflet provides important information about using CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S. **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 CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S.**

Where to find information in this leaflet:

- [1. Why am I using CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S?](#)
- [2. What should I know before I use CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S?](#)
- [3. How do I use CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S?](#)
- [4. What should I know while using CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S?](#)
- [5. Are there any side effects?](#)
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1. What is CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S used for?

CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S contains the active ingredient carboprost trometamol.

Carboprost trometamol belongs to a group of medicines called prostaglandins. Prostaglandins are produced naturally in your body and are very important for a variety of activities, including childbirth. After childbirth they make the womb contract and to help it stay contracted, which stops heavy bleeding from the womb. CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S given after childbirth increases the contraction of your womb which helps to control bleeding after delivery.

2. What should I know before I use CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S?

Warnings

Do not use CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S if:

- you are allergic to carboprost trometamol, or any of the ingredients listed in section 6, in particular benzyl alcohol which can cause problems in some people. See Section 4 of this leaflet for more details.

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 currently have an infection of your womb, ovaries or fallopian tubes (this may be causing pain in your pelvis or vaginal discharge).
- you have any problems with your heart, lung, kidney or liver.
- you are pregnant.

Talk to your doctor or nurse before you are given CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S if you currently have, or have had in the past any of the following, as CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S will have to be used more carefully:

- lung disease, including asthma
- high or low blood pressure (including high blood pressure in pregnancy)
- heart disease or anaemia (low blood count)
- kidney or liver disease (including jaundice)
- glaucoma (raised pressure in your eyes)
- diabetes or epilepsy
- a caesarean section or any other operation on your womb

In very rare cases heart and circulation failure have been reported following the use of prostaglandins (the active ingredient of this medicine).

It is possible that this medicine may lower the oxygen levels in your blood. If you have previously suffered from conditions affecting your heart and lungs your doctor will monitor you and may give you additional oxygen as necessary.

Your doctor may give you other medicines to reduce the side effects of being sick or having diarrhoea as these are the common side effects of all prostaglandins (the active ingredient of this medicine).

Raised temperature has been observed with treatment from CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S. This will usually return to normal several hours after the last injection.

Other medicines and CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S

Tell your doctor or nurse if you are taking, have recently taken or might take any other medicines.

Treatments that strengthen contraction of the womb, including oxytocin and ergometrine, can be affected by CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S. Medical staff will watch over you very carefully if you have had these treatments as well as CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S.

Use in Pregnancy and Breastfeeding

Carboprost Dr.Reddy's will only be given shortly after you have delivered your baby and not while you are still pregnant as it could put the embryo or foetus at risk.

It is not known if carboprost is excreted in human breast milk. As your own body produces prostaglandins during childbirth, carboprost is not expected to cause any harm to your baby.

CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S contains benzyl alcohol.

This medicine contains 9.45 mg benzyl alcohol in each vial which is equivalent to 9.45 mg/ml. Benzyl alcohol may cause allergic reactions. Benzyl alcohol has been linked with the risk of severe side effects including breathing problems (called "gaspings syndrome") in young children. Ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice if you are pregnant or breast-feeding. This is because large amounts of benzyl alcohol can build-up in your body and may cause side effects (called "metabolic acidosis").

Ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice if you have a liver or kidney disease. This is because large amounts of benzyl alcohol can build-up in your body and may cause side effects (called "metabolic acidosis").

3. How CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S is given

How much to take/use

This product should be used only in hospitals and clinics with specialised units for pregnancy and childbirth. Medical staff should be available in the hospital at all times. This product may be given by a doctor or a midwife. The staff will make sure that this medicine is used in the right way and at the right time. You should never be given CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S while you are pregnant, only after the birth. It must never be given by injection into a vein.

- It is given by injection deep into a muscle.
- The first dose is usually 1 ml of solution (250 micrograms of carboprost). Your doctor may give you more doses of 1 ml if you need them. You should not have doses more often than once every 15 minutes. Usually you would have them less often, about once in one-and-a-half hours.
- You should not be given more than 8 doses (2 mg of carboprost) altogether.

CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S is not indicated for use in children.

If you are given more than you should be

If you get very bad sickness and diarrhoea, your doctor may delay the next injection of CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S, or may not give you any more doses. Your doctor will treat the symptoms that the injection has caused.

If you continue to bleed

If you continue to bleed heavily after being given CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S you may be given other

medicines to help control the bleeding. Your doctor or midwife will be watching you closely to help them decide whether CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S is working for you.

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

4. What should I know while using CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S?

Things you should do

Driving or using machines

Do not drive, use any tools or operate machinery soon after receiving CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S as it may affect your ability to do so safely. CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S may make you lose consciousness, feel dizzy or drowsy.

5. 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.

Do not be alarmed by the following lists of side effects. You may not experience any of them.

Less serious side effects

Less serious side effects	What to do
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• diarrhoea• nausea• vomiting• increased body temperature• headache• flushing• hot flush• chills• coughing	Speak to your doctor if you have any of these less serious side effects and they worry you.

Serious side effects

Serious side effects	What to do
Allergy (hypersensitivity) Symptoms of an allergic reaction may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• shortness of breath, wheezing or difficulty breathing• swelling of the face, lips, tongue or other parts of the body, skin rash, itching or hives	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.

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.

6. Product details

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

What CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S contains

Active ingredient (main ingredient)	Carboprost
Other ingredients (inactive ingredients)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• trometamol• benzyl alcohol• sodium chloride• hydrochloric acid• sodium hydroxide• water for injections

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

What CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S looks like

CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S is supplied as a clear and colourless solution in a glass vial in packs of 10. (Aust R 387952).

Who distributes CARBOPROST DR.REDDY'S

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