

# ZOFRAN oral liquid

## 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 ZOFRAN oral liquid?

ZOFRAN contains the active ingredient ondansetron (as ondansetron hydrochloride dihydrate). ZOFRAN is used to help stop nausea and vomiting which can occur after certain treatments. ZOFRAN should only be used to treat the nausea and vomiting for which it has been prescribed.

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

### 2. What should I know before I use ZOFRAN oral liquid?

Do not use if you have ever had an allergic reaction to ondansetron 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 ZOFRAN oral liquid?](#) in the full CMI.

### 3. What if I am taking other medicines?

Some medicines may interfere with ZOFRAN oral liquid 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 ZOFRAN oral liquid?

- The usual dosage for adults is 8 mg (10 mL) twice daily for up to 5 days.
- The usual dosage for children is 4 mg (5 mL) twice daily for up to 5 days.
- ZOFRAN oral liquid should be swallowed.

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

### 5. What should I know while using ZOFRAN oral liquid?

<b>Things you should do</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Remind any doctor, dentist or pharmacist you visit that you are using ZOFRAN oral liquid.</li><li>• Tell your doctor if you become pregnant or are trying to become pregnant.</li><li>• Tell your doctor if, for any reason, you have not taken your medicine exactly as prescribed.</li></ul>
<b>Things you should not do</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Do not stop taking ZOFRAN oral liquid or change the dose without first checking with your doctor.</li><li>• Do not give this medicine to anyone else, even if their symptoms seem like yours.</li><li>• Do not use ZOFRAN oral liquid to treat any other complaints unless your doctor says to.</li></ul>
<b>Driving or using machines</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Be careful before you drive or use any machines or tools until you know how ZOFRAN oral liquid affects you.</li></ul>
<b>Looking after your medicine</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Keep ZOFRAN oral liquid in a cool, dry place where it stays below 30°C. Do not refrigerate.</li><li>• Keep this medicine where young children cannot reach it.</li></ul>

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

### 6. Are there any side effects?

Like other medicines, ZOFRAN oral liquid can cause some side-effects. If they occur, they are most likely to be minor and temporary. However, some may be serious and need medical attention. The most commonly reported side-effects are headache, a sensation of warmth or flushing, constipation and a dry mouth.

This is not a complete list of all possible side effects. 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.

# ZOFRAN oral liquid

Active ingredient: ondansetron (as ondansetron hydrochloride dihydrate)

## Consumer Medicine Information (CMI)

This leaflet provides important information about using ZOFRAN oral liquid.

**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 [medicine name].**

**Where to find information in this leaflet:**

- [1. Why am I using ZOFRAN oral liquid?](#)
- [2. What should I know before I use ZOFRAN oral liquid?](#)
- [3. What if I am taking other medicines?](#)
- [4. How do I use ZOFRAN oral liquid?](#)
- [5. What should I know while using ZOFRAN oral liquid?](#)
- [6. Are there any side effects?](#)
- [7. Product details](#)

## 1. Why am I using ZOFRAN oral liquid?

ZOFRAN oral liquid contains the active ingredient ondansetron (as ondansetron hydrochloride dihydrate). This medicine is used to help stop nausea and vomiting which can occur after certain treatments.

**Ask your doctor if you have any questions about why ZOFRAN oral liquid has been prescribed for you.**

Your doctor may have prescribed this medicine for another reason.

ZOFRAN oral liquid is not addictive.

## 2. What should I know before I use ZOFRAN oral liquid?

### Warnings

**Do not take ZOFRAN oral liquid:**

- if you are taking apomorphine, used to treat Parkinson's disease
- if you are allergic to ondansetron hydrochloride dihydrate or any of the ingredients listed at the end of this leaflet.

Symptoms of an allergic reaction may be mild or severe. They usually include some or all of the following: wheezing, swelling of the lips/mouth,

difficulty in breathing, hayfever, lumpy rash ("hives") or fainting.

- after the expiry date printed on the pack.
- if the packaging is torn or shows signs of tampering.

**Check with your doctor if you:**

- are allergic to foods, dyes, preservatives or any other medicines.
- have had to stop taking another medicine for your nausea or vomiting
- have or used to have liver problems.

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.**

Some medicines may affect the way others work. Your doctor or pharmacist will be able to tell you what to do when taking ZOFRAN oral liquid with other medicines.

## 4. How do I use ZOFRAN oral liquid?

### How much to take

- Adults: The usual dosage is 8 mg (10 mL) twice daily for up to 5 days.
- Children: The usual dosage is 4 mg (5 mL) twice daily for up to 5 days.

**Follow the instructions provided and use ZOFRAN oral liquid until your doctor tells you to stop.**

### When to take ZOFRAN oral liquid

If you vomit within one hour of taking your dose of ZOFRAN oral liquid, you should take the same dose again.

If you continue to vomit, tell your doctor.

### How to take ZOFTRAN oral liquid

Your dose of ZOFTRAN oral liquid should be swallowed.

### If you forget to use ZOFTRAN oral liquid

If you miss your dose and you do not feel sick take 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 ZOFTRAN oral liquid

If you think that you have used too much ZOFTRAN oral liquid, 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 ZOFTRAN ORAL LIQUID?

### Things you should do

- Tell your doctor if you become pregnant or are trying to become pregnant.
- Tell your doctor if for any reason, you have not taken your medicine exactly as prescribed. Otherwise, your doctor may think that it was not effective and change your treatment unnecessarily.
- Remind any doctor, dentist or pharmacist you visit that you are using ZOFTRAN oral liquid.

### Things you should not do

- Do not stop taking ZOFTRAN oral liquid or change the dose without first checking with your doctor.
- Do not give this medicine to anyone else, even if their symptoms seem like yours.
- Do not use ZOFTRAN oral liquid to treat any other complaints unless your doctor says to.

### Driving or using machines

Be careful before you drive or use any machines or tools until you know how ZOFTRAN oral liquid affects you.

### Looking after your medicine

Keep ZOFTRAN oral liquid in the bottle in a cool, dry place where it stays below 30°C. Do not refrigerate.

Store 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.

### Getting rid of any unwanted medicine

If your doctor tells you to stop taking ZOFTRAN oral liquid or it is out of date, take it to any pharmacy for safe disposal.

## 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"><li>• headache</li><li>• a sensation of warmth or flushing</li><li>• constipation or diarrhoea</li><li>• dry mouth</li><li>• hiccups.</li></ul>	<b>Speak to your doctor or pharmacist if you have any of these less serious, common side effects and they worry you.</b>

### Serious side effects

Serious side effects	What to do
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• fits or convulsions</li><li>• low blood pressure</li><li>• chest pain</li><li>• changes in the way your heart beats e.g. if you notice it beating faster or slower than normal, or if it beats irregularly or if it 'throbs'</li><li>• disturbance in heart rhythm (sometimes causing a sudden loss of consciousness)</li><li>• patients may experience "serotonin syndrome" (confusion, sweating, unsteadiness, shaking, diarrhoea) when ZOFTRAN is taken in combination with other serotonergic drugs. Serotonergic drugs can include certain types of antidepressants, opioid pain medicines such as tramadol and fentanyl, and lithium</li><li>• Severe skin reaction where the top layer of the skin detaches from the lower layers.</li></ul>	<b>Call your doctor or go straight to the Emergency Department at your nearest hospital if you notice any of these serious side effects.</b>

<p>Signs of serious allergic reaction:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• wheezing</li> <li>• swelling of the lips/mouth</li> <li>• difficulty in breathing</li> <li>• hay fever</li> <li>• lumpy rash ("hives")</li> <li>• fainting.</li> </ul>	
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**If your nausea or vomiting does not go away, ask your doctor what to do.**

In certain illnesses and treatments where ZOFRAN has been used, blood vessel blockage has occurred. However, it is important to note that blood vessel blockage has also occurred in these illnesses and treatments when ZOFRAN has not been used.

**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](http://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.**

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

### What ZOFRAN oral liquid looks like

ZOFRAN oral liquid is a clear, colourless to light yellow liquid with a strawberry flavour. Available in 50 mL glass bottles.

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### Who distributes ZOFRAN oral liquid

Aspen Pharmacare Australia Pty Ltd  
34-36 Chandos Street  
St Leonards NSW 2065  
Australia

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## 7. Product details

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

### What ZOFRAN oral liquid contains

<b>Active ingredient (main ingredient)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ondansetron (as ondansetron hydrochloride dihydrate) 4 mg/5 mL</li> </ul>
<b>Other ingredients (inactive ingredients)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• citric acid</li> <li>• purified water</li> <li>• sodium benzoate</li> <li>• sodium citrate dihydrate</li> <li>• sorbitol solution (70 per cent)(crystallising)</li> <li>• strawberry flavouring liquid SC8877891.</li> </ul>
<b>Potential allergens</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• benzoates</li> <li>• sorbitol (12.6 g per recommended maximum daily dose which may have a</li> </ul>