

Cyclizine-AFT

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 given Cyclizine-AFT?

Cyclizine-AFT contains the active ingredient cyclizine lactate. Cyclizine-AFT is used to prevent nausea and vomiting in the post-operative period.

For more information, see Section [1. Why am I given Cyclizine-AFT?](#) in the full CMI.

2. What should I know before I am given Cyclizine-AFT?

Do not use if you have ever had an allergic reaction to Cyclizine-AFT 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, are pregnant or plan to become pregnant, or are breastfeeding.

For more information, see Section [2. What should I know before I am given Cyclizine-AFT?](#) in the full CMI.

3. What if I am taking other medicines?

Some medicines may interfere with Cyclizine-AFT 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 Cyclizine-AFT is given?

- The usual dose is 50 mg given 3 times a day by slow intravenous injection.

More instructions can be found in Section [4. How Cyclizine-AFT is given?](#) in the full CMI.

5. What should I know while I am given Cyclizine-AFT?

Things you should do	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Remind any doctor, dentist or pharmacist you visit that you are using Cyclizine-AFT.• Be careful taking sleeping pills or anti-anxiety medication after being treated with Cyclizine-AFT. Cyclizine-AFT can increase the effects of these medicines.• Get up slowly if you feel light-headed, dizzy or faint when getting out of bed or standing up.
Driving or using machines	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cyclizine-AFT may cause dizziness and impair motor skills in some people. If you have any of these symptoms, do not drive, operate machinery or do anything else that could be dangerous.
Drinking alcohol	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tell your doctor if you drink alcohol.

For more information, see Section [5. What should I know while I am given Cyclizine-AFT?](#) in the full CMI.

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. Ask your doctor or pharmacist if you have any further questions about 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.

Cyclizine-AFT

Active ingredient: *cyclizine lactate*

Consumer Medicine Information (CMI)

This leaflet provides important information about using Cyclizine-AFT. **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 Cyclizine-AFT.**

Where to find information in this leaflet:

- [1. Why am I given Cyclizine-AFT?](#)
- [2. What should I know before I am given Cyclizine-AFT?](#)
- [3. What if I am taking other medicines?](#)
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1. Why am I given Cyclizine-AFT?

Cyclizine-AFT contains the active ingredient cyclizine lactate. Cyclizine-AFT is an anti-emetic.

Cyclizine-AFT is used to prevent nausea and vomiting in the post-operative period. The exact mechanism by which it works is not known.

Ask your doctor if you have any questions about why this medicine has been chosen for you. Your doctor may have prescribed it for another reason.

Cyclizine-AFT is not recommended for use in children. Children may be more sensitive than adults to some of the side effects.

2. What should I know before I am given Cyclizine-AFT?

Warnings

You must not be given Cyclizine-AFT:

- if you are allergic to cyclizine, or any of the ingredients listed at the end of this leaflet. Always check the ingredients to make sure you can use this medicine. Some of the 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
 - rash, itching or hives on the skin
- after a heart attack.
- if you have severe heart failure (disease of the heart with shortness of breath, and swelling of the feet or legs due to fluid build-up).
- if you are drunk.

Check with your doctor if you:

- have allergies to any other medicines, foods, preservatives or dyes.
- Have been drinking alcohol
- have or have had any of the following medical conditions:
 - difficulty passing urine or symptoms due to an enlarged prostate
 - liver disease
 - high blood pressure
 - epilepsy
 - asthma or a lung disease known as chronic obstructive pulmonary disorder (COPD)
 - high pressure in the eye (glaucoma)
 - stomach or bowel obstruction
 - rare tumour of the adrenal gland (phaeochromocytoma)
 - rare blood pigment disorder (porphyria)
 - any disease affecting nerves or muscles.

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.

Your doctor can discuss with you the risks and benefits involved.

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 and Cyclizine-AFT may interfere with each other. These include:

- some medicines used to treat depression such as tricyclics and monoamine oxidase inhibitors (MAOIs)
- central depressants, sometimes referred to as sedatives and tranquillisers (medicines to help you sleep, reduce anxiety, induce anaesthesia or treat psychosis)
- anticholinergic medicines, which also act in the nervous system and are used to treat a range of medical conditions, e.g. atropine
- opioid medicines used to treat severe pain, such as pethidine, pentazocine, morphine
- some antibiotics, known as aminoglycosides.

These medicines may be affected by Cyclizine-AFT or may affect how well it works. You may need different amounts of your medicines.

Check with your doctor or pharmacist if you are not sure about what medicines, vitamins or supplements you are taking and if these affect Cyclizine-AFT.

4. How Cyclizine-AFT is given?

Follow all directions given to you by your doctor or nurse carefully. They may differ from the information contained in this leaflet.

How much is given?

The usual dose is 50 mg given 3 times a day.

How it is given?

Cyclizine-AFT injection is given by slow intravenous injection.

When it is given?

The first dose of Cyclizine-AFT will be given to you during surgery. You may then receive it up to 3 times a day for the first 2 days after your surgery.

If you are given too much Cyclizine-AFT (overdose)

As Cyclizine-AFT is given to you in hospital under the supervision of your doctor, it is unlikely that you will receive an overdose.

If you think that you have used too much Cyclizine-AFT, 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 I am given Cyclizine-AFT?

Things you should do

Remind any doctor, dentist or pharmacist you visit that you are using Cyclizine-AFT.

Be careful taking sleeping pills or anti-anxiety medication after being treated with Cyclizine-AFT. Cyclizine-AFT can increase the effects of these medicines.

If you feel light-headed, dizzy or faint when getting out of bed or standing up, get up slowly. Standing up slowly, especially when you get up from bed or chairs, will help your body get used to the change in position and blood pressure. If this problem continues or gets worse, talk to your doctor.

Driving or using machines

Be careful before you drive or use any machines or tools until you know how Cyclizine-AFT affects you.

Cyclizine-AFT may cause dizziness and impair motor skills in some people. If you have any of these symptoms, do not drive, operate machinery or do anything else that could be dangerous.

Drinking alcohol

Tell your doctor if you drink alcohol.

Be careful drinking alcohol after you have been given this medicine. Cyclizine-AFT can increase the toxicity of alcohol. Drinking large amounts of alcohol after Cyclizine-AFT can be dangerous.

Looking after your medicine

The pharmacy is responsible for the appropriate storage of Cyclizine-AFT injection.

The ampoules should be stored protected from light where the temperature stays below 30 °C.

Keep it where young children cannot reach it.

6. Are there any side effects?

Tell your doctor, nurse or pharmacist as soon as possible if you do not feel well while you are being given Cyclizine-AFT.

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
Digestion - related: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Constipation or diarrhea• Nausea or vomiting• Stomach pain• Loss of appetite	Speak to your doctor if you have any of these less serious side effects and they worry you.
Alertness - related: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Confusion• Clumsiness• Drowsiness• Dizziness• Restlessness or agitation• Difficulty sleeping (insomnia)	
Eye/ear/voice - related: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Blurred vision• Involuntary rolling of eyes• Ringing in the ears• Difficulty speaking	

7. Product details

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

What Cyclizine-AFT contains

Active ingredient (main ingredient)	Cyclizine lactate
Other ingredients (inactive ingredients)	Lactic acid Water for injections

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

What Cyclizine-AFT looks like

Cyclizine-AFT is a clear colourless solution in a 1 mL glass ampoule. (Aust R 396010).

Who distributes Cyclizine-AFT

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General body - related: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Headache• Fever• Palpitations or racing heartbeat• Muscle twitching• Itching or skin rash• Weakness• Pins and needles in hands or feet• Dry mouth, nose or throat• Sensitivity to sunlight• Injection site redness or pain	
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Serious side effects

Serious side effects	What to do
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Yellowing of skin or eyes (jaundice)• Wheezing or coughing• Difficulty passing urine	<p>Tell your doctor as soon as possible if you notice any of these side effects.</p> <p>These are serious side effects that may require medical attention.</p>

Very serious side effects

Very serious side effects	What to do
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Serious allergic reaction (swelling of the face, lips, mouth or throat which may cause difficulty in swallowing or breathing)• Hallucinations, fits or loss of consciousness.• Difficulty breathing• Inability to move muscles (paralysis)	<p>Call your doctor straight away, or go straight to the Emergency Department at your nearest hospital if you notice this side effect. You may need urgent medical attention.</p>

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.