



## Extra Soluble Tablets

Paracetamol + Caffeine

### Please read right through this leaflet before you start using this medicine.

This medicine is available without prescription, but you still need to use Panadol Extra Soluble Tablets carefully to get the best results from them.

- Keep this leaflet, you may need to read it again.
- If you have any questions, or if there is anything you do not understand, ask your pharmacist.
- Contains Paracetamol.

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## 1. What Panadol Extra Soluble Tablets do

**Panadol Extra Soluble Tablets are used for the relief of headache, migraine, backache, rheumatic pain, toothache and period pain.** They also relieve sore throat and the fever, aches and pains of colds and flu.

The tablets contain two active ingredients. Paracetamol is a painkiller and also reduces your temperature when you have a fever. Caffeine acts to further help the effectiveness of paracetamol.

## 2. Check before you take Panadol Extra Soluble Tablets



### Do not take Panadol Extra Soluble Tablets:

- if you have ever had an **allergic reaction** to paracetamol, caffeine or to any of the other ingredients (listed in Section 6)
- if you are taking **any other prescription or non prescription medicines containing paracetamol** to treat pain, fever, symptoms of cold and flu, or to aid sleep.



### Ask your doctor before you take this medicine:

- if you have **liver** or **kidney disease**, including **alcoholic liver disease**
- if you have been told by your doctor that you have an **intolerance to some sugars**
- if you need 1 or more tablets daily for a prolonged period, especially if you have been advised to follow a **low salt (sodium) diet**.
- if you are **underweight** or **malnourished**
- if you regularly **drink alcohol**
- if you have a **severe infection** as this may increase the risk of **metabolic acidosis**.
- Signs of metabolic acidosis include:
  - deep, rapid, difficult breathing
  - feeling sick (nausea), being sick (vomiting)
  - loss of appetite

**Contact a doctor immediately** if you get a combination of these symptoms. You may need to avoid using this product altogether or limit the amount of paracetamol that you take



### If you are taking other medicines:

Talk to your doctor or pharmacist before taking these tablets if you are taking any prescribed medicines; particularly **metoclopramide** or **domperidone** (for **nausea** [feeling sick] or **vomiting** [being sick]) or **colestyramine** (to lower **blood cholesterol**). If you take **blood thinning drugs** (**anticoagulants** e.g. **warfarin**) and you need to take a pain reliever on a daily basis, **talk to your doctor** because of the risk of bleeding. But you can still take **occasional** doses of Panadol Extra Soluble Tablets at the same time as anticoagulants. This product is not recommended if you are taking lithium.



## Pregnancy and breast feeding:

Due to the caffeine content of this product **it should not be used** if you are **pregnant or breast feeding**.

## 3. How to take Panadol Extra Soluble Tablets



Adults and children aged 16 years and over:  
**Take 2 tablets dissolved in a tumbler of water every 4 hours as needed. Do not take more than 8 tablets in 24 hours.**



Children aged 12-15 years:  
**Give 1 tablet dissolved in a tumbler of water every 4 hours as needed. Do not give more than 4 tablets in 24 hours.**



- **Do not take more frequently than every 4 hours.**
- **Do not take more than the recommended dose.**
- **Do not give to children under 12 years.**
- **Avoid too much caffeine in drinks like coffee and tea.**  
High caffeine intake can cause **difficulty sleeping, shaking** and an **uncomfortable feeling in the chest.**

If your symptoms continue or your headache becomes persistent, **see your doctor.**

## If you take too many tablets:

Talk to a doctor at once if you take too much of this medicine even if you feel well. This is because too much paracetamol can cause delayed, serious liver damage.

## 4. Possible side effects

Like all medicines, Panadol Extra Soluble Tablets can have side effects but not everybody gets them. A small number of people have had side effects. Very rare cases of serious skin reactions have been reported.

**Stop taking** the medicine and **tell your doctor immediately** if you experience:

- **Allergic reactions** which may be severe such as skin rash and itching sometimes with swelling of the mouth or face or shortness of breath
- **Skin rash or peeling, or mouth ulcers**
- **Breathing problems.** These are more likely if you have experienced them before when taking other painkillers such as ibuprofen and aspirin

- Unexplained **bruising or bleeding**
- **Nausea**, sudden **weight loss, loss of appetite** and **yellowing of the eyes and skin.**

## Reporting of side effects

If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor, pharmacist or nurse. This includes any possible side effects not listed in this leaflet. You can also report side effects directly via the Yellow Card Scheme at [www.mhra.gov.uk/yellowcard](http://www.mhra.gov.uk/yellowcard) or search for MHRA Yellow Card in the Google Play or Apple App Store. By reporting side effects, you can help provide more information on the safety of this medicine.

## 5. How to store Panadol Extra Soluble Tablets

**Keep out of the sight and reach of children.**

Do not use this medicine after the 'EXP' date shown on the pack. Store below 30°C.

## 6. Further Information

**Active ingredient:** Each tablet contains Paracetamol 500 mg and Caffeine 65 mg.

**Other Ingredients:** Sodium bicarbonate, sorbitol powder (E 420), saccharin sodium, sodium lauryl sulphate, citric acid, sodium carbonate, polyvidone and dimeticone.

Packs of Panadol Extra Soluble Tablets contain 24 effervescent tablets.

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