

Erythromycin

FORM Oral Suspension 250mg/5ml
(Dry powder for reconstitution)

INDICATION

1. Treatment of Chlamydia eye infections
2. Treatment of other infections where sensitivities indicate
3. Gastro-intestinal stasis

DOSE RANGE

1. Treatment of Chlamydia eye infections

AGE	DOSE	FREQUENCY	ROUTE
Neonate	12.5mg/kg/dose	FOUR times daily for 14 days	Oral

2. Treatment of other infections where sensitivities indicate

AGE	DOSE	FREQUENCY	ROUTE
Neonate	12.5mg/kg/dose	FOUR times daily	Oral
1month – 6 months	125mg (dose can be doubled in severe infections)	FOUR times daily	Oral

3. Gastro-intestinal Stasis

AGE	DOSE	FREQUENCY	ROUTE
Neonate – 6 months	3mg/kg/dose	FOUR times daily	Oral

CAUTIONS, CONTRA-INDICATIONS AND SIDE EFFECTS

- See Summary of Product Characteristics and most recent edition of BNF for Children (links below)

STORAGE Erythromycin suspension for oral use should be reconstituted as directed on bottle and remains stable for 14 days when stored in the fridge

LICENSED STATUS Licensed for use in all ages
Off label use in gastro-intestinal stasis

LINKS [BNF for Children](#) / [Electronic Medicines Compendium](#)

APPLICABLE POLICIES [West of Scotland Neonatal Guidelines](#):

Consult local policy if applicable

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Dose may vary depending on indication, age, renal function, hepatic function, and concomitant medications. This monograph should be used in conjunction with the package insert, BNF for Children, and Summary of Product Characteristics. For further advice contact your clinical pharmacist or pharmacy department.