

SALBUTAMOL (oral)

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What does it do?

Salbutamol opens narrowed airways in the lungs. It helps to relieve asthma symptoms and breathing problems.

How should you take it?

Take *salbutamol* as directed by your healthcare professional.

Measure the liquid carefully with an oral syringe or measuring spoon.

What if you forget a dose?

Take the missed dose as soon as possible. If it is close to the time for your next dose, skip the missed dose and carry on as normal. Do not take two doses at the same time.

Can you take other medicines?

Tell your pharmacist or doctor about all medicines or treatments that you may be taking, including vitamins, herbal products or recreational drugs.

What side effects might you notice?

Side Effects	Recommended action
Fast or irregular heartbeat, chest pain	Tell your doctor
Tremor, muscle cramps Headache, dizziness Nervousness, trouble sleeping Stomach upset	Tell your doctor if troublesome

If you notice any other effects, discuss them with your doctor or pharmacist.

Other information:

- Tell your doctor if you have heart problems or high blood pressure.
- Tell your doctor if you are pregnant, planning to become pregnant, or breastfeeding.
- Some people with asthma may get short of breath after taking certain pain-relieving medicines such as aspirin (e.g. *Aspec*®), diclofenac (e.g. *Voltaren*®) or ibuprofen (e.g. *Nurofen*®). Talk to your healthcare professional.