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Generic name: [ferrous sulfate](#) [*FARE-us-SUL-fate*]

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What is Slow Fe?

Slow Fe is a type of iron. You normally get iron from the foods you eat. In the body, iron helps your blood carry oxygen to tissues and organs and helps your muscle cells store oxygen.

Slow Fe is used to treat iron deficiency.

Slow Fe may also be used for purposes not listed in this medication guide.

Slow Fe side effects

Get emergency medical help if you have **signs of an allergic reaction:** hives; difficulty breathing; swelling of your face, lips, tongue, or throat.

Slow Fe may cause serious side effects. Call your doctor at once if you have:

- severe stomach pain or [vomiting](#);
- [cough](#) with bloody mucus or vomit that looks like coffee grounds;
- [fever](#); or
- bloody or tarry stools.

Common side effects of Slow Fe may include:

- [diarrhea](#), [constipation](#);
- [nausea](#), stomach pain;
- green-colored stools; or
- loss of appetite.

This is not a complete list of side effects and others may occur. Call your doctor for medical advice about side effects.

You may report side effects to FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088.

 [Slow Fe side effects](#) (more detail)

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Use only as directed. Tell your doctor if you use other medicines or have other medical conditions or allergies.

What should I discuss before taking Slow Fe?

Ask a doctor or pharmacist if Slow Fe is safe to use if you have ever had:

- [iron overload](#) syndrome;
- a red blood cell disorder such as [thalassemia](#); or
- a condition for which you receive regular blood transfusions.

Ask a doctor before using this medicine if you are pregnant or breastfeeding.

Do not give Slow Fe to a child without medical advice.

How should I take Slow Fe?

Use exactly as directed on the label, or as prescribed by your doctor.

Take on an empty stomach, at least 1 hour before or 2 hours after a meal.

Measure **liquid medicine** carefully. Use the dosing syringe provided, or use a medicine dose-measuring device (not a kitchen spoon).

Swallow the **tablet** whole and do not crush, chew, or break it.

You may need to follow a special diet. Follow all instructions of your doctor or dietitian. Learn about the foods you should eat or avoid.

Store at room temperature, away from moisture and heat.

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What happens if I miss a dose?

Take the medicine as soon as you can, but skip the missed dose if it is almost time for your next dose. **Do not** take two doses at one time.

What happens if I overdose?

Seek emergency medical attention or call the Poison Help line at 1-800-222-1222. Get emergency medical help if a child has accidentally swallowed a tablet. **An overdose of iron can be fatal to a young child.**

Overdose symptoms may include severe vomiting, coughing up blood, bloody diarrhea, urinating less, thirst, dry skin, muscle cramps, dizziness, or [fainting](#).

What should I avoid while taking Slow Fe?

Avoid taking other iron supplements. Do not take any vitamin or mineral supplements without asking a doctor or pharmacist.

What other drugs will affect Slow Fe?

Take your Slow Fe dose 2 to 6 hours before or after taking any of the following:

- an antacid;
- an [antibiotic](#); or
- a laxative.

This list is not complete. Other drugs may affect Slow Fe, including prescription and over-the-counter medicines, [vitamins](#), and [herbal products](#). Not all possible [drug interactions](#) are listed here.

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Does Slow Fe interact with my other drugs?

Enter medications to view a detailed interaction report using our [Drug Interaction Checker](#).

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Further information


Remember, keep this and all other medicines out of the reach of children, never share your medicines with others, and use this medication only for the indication prescribed.

Always consult your healthcare provider to ensure the information displayed on this page applies to your personal circumstances.

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Availability
 Rx and/or OTC

Pregnancy & Lactation
 Risk data available

CSA Schedule*
N/A Not a controlled drug



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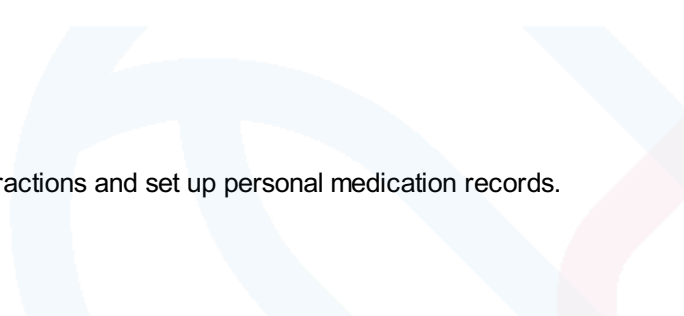
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