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**Generic name:** tolterodine [ *tol-TER-oh-deen* ]**Brand names:** [Detrol](#), [Detrol LA](#)**Dosage forms:** oral capsule, extended release (2 mg; 4 mg), oral tablet (1 mg; 2 mg)**Drug class:** [Urinary antispasmodics](#)[Medically reviewed](#) by Drugs.com on Jul 16, 2024. Written by [Cerner Multum](#).[Uses](#) [Side effects](#) [Warnings](#) [Before taking](#) [Dosage](#) [Interactions](#)

## What is tolterodine?

Tolterodine is used in adults to treat [overactive bladder](#) with symptoms of [urinary frequency](#), urgency, and [incontinence](#) (urine leakage).

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

## Tolterodine side effects

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

**Tolterodine may cause serious side effects. Stop using tolterodine and call your doctor at once if you have:**

- confusion, hallucinations;
- severe stomach pain or [constipation](#); or
- painful or difficult urination.

**Common side effects of tolterodine may include:**

- [dry mouth](#);
- dizziness;
- constipation;
- stomach pain; or
- [headache](#).

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.

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## Warnings

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

## Before taking this medicine

You should not use tolterodine if you are allergic to tolterodine or [fesoterodine](#) (Toviaz), or if you have:

- trouble emptying your bladder;
- a blockage in your stomach, slow digestion; or
- uncontrolled narrow-angle [glaucoma](#).

Tell your doctor if you have ever had:

- a stomach or intestinal disorder;
- problems with constipation;
- [liver disease](#);
- kidney disease;
- [myasthenia gravis](#);
- trouble emptying your bladder, or a weak stream of urine;
- glaucoma; or
- [long QT syndrome](#) (in you or a family member).

Tell your doctor if you are pregnant or breastfeeding.

## How should I take tolterodine?

Follow all directions on your prescription label and read all medication guides or instruction sheets. Use the medicine exactly as directed.

Take with water.

Take tolterodine with or without food, at the same times each day.

Swallow the capsule whole and do not crush, chew, break, or open it.

Store at room temperature away from moisture, heat, and light.

## Tolterodine dosing information

### Usual Adult Dose for Urinary Incontinence:

Immediate release tablets:

-Initial dose: 2 mg orally 2 times a day

-Maintenance dose: 1 to 2 mg orally 2 times a day, depending on patient response and tolerability

Extended release capsules:

-Initial dose: 4 mg orally once a day

-Maintenance dose: 2 to 4 mg orally once a day, depending on patient response and tolerability

Comments:

-This drug can be taken with or without food.

-The extended release formulation should be swallowed whole.

Use: For the treatment of overactive bladder (OAB) with symptoms of urge [urinary incontinence](#), urgency, and frequency

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 [Detailed Tolterodine dosage information](#)

## What happens if I miss a dose?

Skip the missed dose and use your next dose at the regular time. **Do not** use 2 doses in one day

## What happens if I overdose?

Seek emergency medical attention or call the Poison Help line at 1-800-222-1222.

## What should I avoid while taking tolterodine?

Avoid driving or hazardous activity until you know how tolterodine will affect you. Your reactions could be impaired.

## What other drugs will affect tolterodine?

**Tolterodine can cause a serious heart problem.** Your risk may be higher if you also use certain other medicines for infections, asthma, heart problems, [high blood pressure](#), [depression](#), mental illness, cancer, malaria, or HIV.

Tell your doctor about all your other medicines, especially:

- [cyclosporine](#); or
- [vinblastine](#).

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

 [Tolterodine drug interactions](#) (more detail)

## Does tolterodine interact with my other drugs?

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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.


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### DRUG STATUS

**Availability**  
**Rx** Prescription only

**Pregnancy & Lactation**  
 Risk data available

**CSA Schedule\***  
**N/A** Not a controlled drug



## Approval History



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