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## Delsym 12 Hour Cough Relief

**Generic name:** [dextromethorphan](#) [ *DEX-tree-me-THOR-fan* ]

**Brand names:** [Babee Cof](#), [Buckley's Mixture Cough Suppressant](#), Children's Cough DM, Children's Robitussin 12 Hour Cough Relief, Cough DM, ... [show all 18 brands](#)

**Drug class:** [Antitussives](#)



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### What is Delsym 12 Hour Cough Relief?

Delsym 12 Hour Cough Relief is a cough suppressant that is used to treat cough caused by the [common cold](#) or flu.

Delsym 12 Hour Cough Relief will not treat a cough caused by smoking, asthma, or [emphysema](#).

There are many brands and forms of [dextromethorphan](#) available. Not all brands are listed on this leaflet.

Delsym 12 Hour Cough Relief may also be used for purposes not listed in this medication guide.

### Delsym 12 Hour Cough Relief side effects

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

**Delsym 12 Hour Cough Relief may cause serious side effects. Stop using Delsym 12 Hour Cough Relief and call your doctor at once if you have:**

- severe nervousness, confusion;
- severe dizziness or [drowsiness](#);
- blurred vision; or
- painful or difficult urination.

**Common side effects of Delsym 12 Hour Cough Relief may include:**

- nausea, [diarrhea](#), loss of appetite;
- dizziness;
- tingling; or
- feeling restless.

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

**Do not use Delsym 12 Hour Cough Relief if you have used an MAO inhibitor in the past 14 days**, such as [isocarboxazid](#), [linezolid](#), [methylene blue](#) injection, [phenelzine](#), [rasagiline](#), [selegiline](#), or [tranylcypromine](#).

## Before taking this medicine

**Do not use Delsym 12 Hour Cough Relief if you have used an MAO inhibitor in the past 14 days.** A dangerous [drug interaction](#) could occur. MAO inhibitors include isocarboxazid, linezolid, methylene blue injection, phenelzine, rasagiline, selegiline, tranylcypromine, and others.

You should not use Delsym 12 Hour Cough Relief if you are allergic to it.

Ask a doctor or pharmacist if this medicine is safe to use if you have any medical conditions.

Delsym 12 Hour Cough Relief should not be given to a child younger than 12 years old.

**Ask a doctor before using this medicine if you are pregnant or breast-feeding.**

This medicine may contain phenylalanine. Check the medication label if you have [phenylketonuria](#) (PKU).

## How should I take Delsym 12 Hour Cough Relief?

Use exactly as directed on the label, or as prescribed by your doctor. Cold or cough medicine is only for short-term use until your symptoms clear up.

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

Call your doctor if your symptoms do not improve after 7 days, or if you have a fever, rash, or headaches.

If you need surgery or medical tests, tell your surgeon or doctor ahead of time that you have taken Delsym 12 Hour Cough Relief in the past few days.

Store at room temperature away from moisture, heat, and light. Do not freeze.

**i** [Detailed Delsym 12 Hour Cough Relief dosage information](#)

## What happens if I miss a dose?

Since cough or cold medicine is used when needed, you may not be on a dosing schedule. Skip any missed dose if it's almost time for your next dose. **Do not** use 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.

## What should I avoid while taking Delsym 12 Hour Cough Relief?

Avoid driving or hazardous activity until you know how Delsym 12 Hour Cough Relief will affect you. Your reactions could be impaired.

Drinking alcohol can increase certain side effects of this medicine.

Ask a doctor or pharmacist before using over-the-counter medicines that may contain ingredients similar to Delsym 12 Hour Cough Relief.

## What other drugs will affect Delsym 12 Hour Cough Relief?

Avoid using this medicine with other drugs that cause drowsiness or slow your breathing (such as opioid medicine, a muscle relaxer, or medicine for [anxiety](#) or [seizures](#)). Ask a doctor or pharmacist before using any other medication, including prescription and over-the-counter medicines, [vitamins](#), and [herbal products](#). **Not all possible drug interactions are listed in this medication guide.**

**i** [Delsym 12 Hour Cough Relief drug interactions](#) (more detail)

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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**  
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**CSA Schedule\***  
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