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Naftin

Generic name: [naftifine topical](#) [NAF-ti-feen-TOP-ik-al]

Drug class: [Topical antifungals](#)



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What is Naftin?

[Naftifine](#) is an antifungal medicine that prevents fungus from growing on your skin.

Naftin (for use on the skin) is used to treat skin infections such as [athlete's foot](#), [jock itch](#), and [ringworm](#) infections. Naftin is for use in adults and children who are at least 12 years old.

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

Naftin 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.

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

- severe skin irritation after applying this medicine.

Common side effects may include dryness or irritation of treated skin.

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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Follow all directions on your medicine label and package. Tell each of your healthcare providers about all your medical conditions, allergies, and all medicines you use.

Before taking this medicine

You should not use Naftin if you are allergic to it.

It is not known whether Naftin will harm an unborn baby. Tell your doctor if you are pregnant.

It may not be safe to breast-feed while using Naftin. Ask your doctor about any risk.

Naftin **gel** should not be used on a child younger than 12 years old. This medicine **cream** is not approved for use by

anyone younger than 18 years old.

How should I use Naftin?

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

Do not take by mouth. Topical medicine is for use only on the skin. **Rinse with water if this medicine gets in your eyes or mouth.**

Wash your hands before and after using this medication.

Clean and dry the affected area before applying the cream or gel.

Use this medicine for the full prescribed length of time, even if your symptoms quickly improve. Skipping doses can increase your risk of [infection](#) that is resistant to medication.

Call your doctor if the infection you are treating with Naftin does not improve within 4 weeks, or if it gets worse.

Do not use bandages or dressings that do not allow air circulation over the affected area (occlusive dressings) unless otherwise directed by your doctor. A light cotton-gauze dressing may be used to protect clothing.

Store at room temperature away from moisture and heat.

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What happens if I miss a dose?

Use the medicine as soon as you can, but skip the missed dose if it is almost time for your next dose.

What happens if I overdose?

An overdose of Naftin is not expected to be dangerous. Seek emergency medical attention or call the Poison Help line at 1-800-222-1222 if anyone has accidentally swallowed the medication.

What should I avoid while using naftifine topical?

Do not get Naftin in your eyes, nose, mouth, rectum, or vagina. If contact does occur, rinse with water.

Avoid using other medications on the areas you treat with Naftin unless your doctor tells you to.

Avoid wearing tight-fitting, synthetic clothing that doesn't allow air circulation. Wear loose-fitting clothing made of cotton and other natural fibers until the infection is healed.

What other drugs will affect Naftin?

Medicine used on the skin is not likely to be affected by other drugs you use. But many drugs can interact with each other. Tell each of your health care providers about all medicines you use, including prescription and over-the-counter medicines, [vitamins](#), and [herbal products](#).

Does Naftin 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

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 Risk data available

CSA Schedule*

N/A Not a controlled drug



Approval History

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