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**Generic name:** [salicylic acid topical](#) [ *SAL-i-SIL-ik-AS-id-TOP-ik-al* ]

**Brand names:** [Acnevir](#), CeraVe SA, Clean and Clear Blackhead Eraser Facial Scrub, [Compound W](#), Compound W One Step Plantar Pads, ... [show all 57 brands](#)

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## What is Wart Remover?

Wart Remover (for the skin) is used in the treatment of acne, [eczema](#), [dandruff](#), seborrhea or [psoriasis](#), corns, calluses, [warts](#) and prevent symptom recurrence.

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

## Wart Remover side effects

**Wart Remover can cause a serious allergic reaction or severe skin irritation.** Stop using Wart Remover and get emergency medical help if you have: [wheezing](#) or trouble breathing, hives, [itching](#), feeling light-headed, or swelling of your face, lips, tongue, or throat.

Also stop using Wart Remover and call your doctor at once if you have:

- severe burning, stinging, peeling, dryness, or irritation after using this medicine.

**Common side effects of Wart Remover may include:**

- [minor skin irritation](#), [rash](#), itching, stinging, dryness; or
- color changes in 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.



[Wart Remover side effects](#) (more detail)

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## Warnings

**Wart Remover can cause a serious allergic reaction or severe skin irritation.** Stop using this medicine and get emergency medical help if you have: hives, itching, wheezing or difficult breathing, feeling light-headed, or swelling of your face, lips, tongue, or throat.

## Before taking this medicine

You should not use Wart Remover if you are allergic to it.

Ask a doctor or pharmacist if Wart Remover is safe to use if you have:

- blood circulation problems;
- skin tenderness or redness;
- [diabetes](#); or
- liver or kidney disease.

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

Using this medicine in a child or teenager with flu symptoms or [chickenpox](#) can cause **a serious or fatal condition called Reye's syndrome.**

## How should I use Wart Remover?

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

Wart Remover is available in many different forms, such as liquid, gel, lotion, cream, ointment, foam, soap, shampoo, and cloth pads.

Do not switch brand forms without advice from your doctor or pharmacist.

Taking more than your recommended dose will not make this medicine more effective, and may cause serious side effects.

Do not take by mouth. Topical medicine is for use only on the skin.

Ask your doctor before using Wart Remover if the condition covers a large area of the body.

**Do not bandage treated skin or expose it to heat.** Your skin may absorb the medicine, which could cause harmful effects.

Do not use Wart Remover to treat any skin condition that has not been checked by your doctor.

Do not touch the tip of the ointment tube or place it directly on the skin. A contaminated tube can infect your skin.

Call your doctor if your symptoms do not improve, or if they get worse.

Shake the Wart Remover **foam** well before each use. Turn the medicine canister upside down to dispense the foam.

Store Wart Remover away from open flame or high heat. Do not puncture or burn an empty container.

Store this medicine in the original container at room temperature, away from moisture and heat.

 [Detailed Wart Remover dosage information](#)

## What happens if I miss a dose?

Wart Remover is used when needed. If you are on a dosing schedule, skip any missed 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 if anyone has accidentally swallowed the medicine.

## What should I avoid while using Wart Remover?

Ask a doctor or pharmacist before using over-the-counter medicines that may contain ingredients similar to Wart Remover.

Avoid using Wart Remover on open wounds or on sunburned, windburned, dry, or irritated skin.

Avoid getting this medicine in your eyes or mouth. **Rinse with water if this medicine gets in your eyes or mouth.**

Certain Wart Remover products are flammable. Do not use near high heat or open flame. Do not smoke until the **gel** has

completely dried on your skin.

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

## What other drugs will affect Wart Remover?

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

 [Wart Remover drug interactions](#) (more detail)

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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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