

METARAMINOL WKT *

Consumer Medicine Information (CMI) summary

The [full CMI](#) on the next page has more details. If you are worried about using this medicine, speak to your doctor or pharmacist.

1. Why am I using METARAMINOL WKT ?

METARAMINOL WKT contains the active ingredient metaraminol tartrate is used to increase your blood pressure which can drop during spinal anaesthesia or can drop as a reaction to medications or surgical complications.

For more information, see Section [1. Why am I using METARAMINOL WKT?](#) in the full CMI.

2. What should I know before I use METARAMINOL WKT ?

Do not use if you have ever had an allergic reaction to metaraminol tartrate or any of the ingredients listed at the end of the CMI.

Talk to your doctor if you have any other medical conditions, take any other medicines, or are pregnant or plan to become pregnant or are breastfeeding.

For more information, see Section [2. What should I know before I use METARAMINOL WKT](#) in the full CMI.

3. What if I am taking other medicines?

Some medicines may interfere with Metaraminol tartrate and affect how it works.

A list of these medicines is in Section [3. What if I am taking other medicines?](#) in the full CMI.

4. How do I use METARAMINOL WKT ?

The dose of METARAMINOL WKT Injection you will receive depends on your medical condition and other factors such as your weight. METARAMINOL WKT Injection is administered in a hospital as an injection into a vein or is diluted before use and given with fluids into a vein. This medicine must only be given by a doctor or nurse.

More instructions can be found in Section [4. How do I use METARAMINOL WKT?](#) in the full CMI.

5. What should I know while using METARAMINOL WKT ?

Things you should do	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Remind any doctor, dentist or pharmacist you visit that you are using Metaraminol <p>Tell your doctor if you have or have had any medical conditions, especially the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Liver diseaseHeart or thyroid diseaseHigh blood pressureDiabetesMalaria.
Looking after your medicine	METARAMINOL WKT Injection should only be given to you in a hospital. It should be kept in the original packaging until it has been given to you. METARAMINOL WKT Injection must be stored below 25°C. Protect from light.

For more information, see Section [5. What should I know while using metaraminol?](#) in the full CMI.

6. Are there any side effects?

Some serious side effects that may occur include fast or pounding heartbeat, swelling of face, lips, mouth or throat which may cause difficulty in swallowing or breathing. Breathlessness or any difficulty breathing. If these occur tell your doctor immediately.

For more information, including what to do if you have any side effects, see Section [6. Are there any side effects?](#) in the full CMI.

METARAMINOL WKT

Active ingredient(s): *metaraminol tartrate*

Consumer Medicine Information (CMI)

This leaflet provides important information about using METARAMINOL WKT. **You should also speak to your doctor or pharmacist if you would like further information or if you have any concerns or questions about using METARAMINOL WKT.**

Where to find information in this leaflet:

- [1. Why am I using METARAMINOL WKT?](#)
- [2. What should I know before I use METARAMINOL WKT?](#)
- [3. What if I am taking other medicines?](#)
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1. Why am I using METARAMINOL WKT ?

METARAMINOL WKT contains the active ingredient metaraminol tartrate.

It belongs to a group of medicines known as sympathomimetic amines. It strengthens the contraction of the heart muscle and constricts blood vessels to help increase the blood pressure

METARAMINOL WKT is used to increase your blood pressure which can drop during spinal anaesthesia or can drop as a reaction to medications or surgical complications.

Your doctor may have prescribed METARAMINOL WKT Injection for another reason.

2. What should I know before I use METARAMINOL WKT ?

Warnings

Do not use METARAMINOL WKT if:

- you are allergic to metaraminol tartrate, or any of the ingredients listed at the end of this leaflet.
- METARAMINOLWKT Injection contains sodium metabisulfite. A sulfite may cause an allergic- type reaction or an asthmatic episode in certain susceptible people. Symptoms of an allergic reaction include rash, asthma attack or hay fever.
- Always check the ingredients to make sure you can use this medicine.

Check with your doctor if you:

Have or have had any of the following medical

conditions.

- Liver disease
- Heart or thyroid disease
- High blood pressure
- Diabetes
- Malaria

During treatment, you may be at risk of developing certain side effects. It is important you understand these risks and how to monitor for them. See additional information under Section [6. Are there any side effects?](#)

Pregnancy and breastfeeding

Check with your doctor if you are pregnant or intend to become pregnant.

Talk to your doctor if you are breastfeeding or intend to breastfeed.

3. What if I am taking other medicines?

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking any other medicines, including any medicines, vitamins or supplements that you buy without a prescription from your pharmacy, supermarket or health food shop.

In particular, tell your doctor if you take any of the following:

- Certain medicines used to treat depression, e.g. Monoamine Oxidase Inhibitors (MAOI's) or Tricyclic antidepressants (TCA's)
- Digoxin, a medicine used to treat heart failure.

Some medicines may interfere with METARAMINOL WKT and affect how it works.

Check with your doctor or pharmacist if you are not sure about what medicines, vitamins or supplements you are taking and if these affect METARAMINOL WKT.

4. How do I use METARAMINOL WKT?

How much to take / use

The dose of METARAMINOL WKT Injection you will receive depends on your medical condition and other factors such as your weight.

METARAMINOL WKT Injection is administered in a hospital as an injection into a vein or is diluted before use and given with fluids into a vein. This medicine must only be given by a doctor or nurse.

To reduce microbial hazard, use as soon as practicable after preparation. If storage is necessary, hold at 2-8°C for not more than 24 hours. The injection solution contains no antimicrobial preservative and is for single use in one patient only. Discard any residue.

If you use too much METARAMINOL WKT

METARAMINOL WKT Injection is administered in a hospital, under the supervision of a doctor. Therefore it is unlikely that you will receive too much. However, you should tell your doctor or nurse immediately if you feel unwell at all whilst you are being given METARAMINOL WKT Injection. You may need urgent medical attention.

You should immediately:

- phone the Poisons Information Centre (by calling 13 11 26), or
- contact your doctor, or
- go to the Emergency Department at your nearest hospital.

You should do this even if there are no signs of discomfort or poisoning.

5. What should I know while using METARAMINOL WKT ?

Things you should do

- Always follow your doctor's instructions carefully.
- Your doctor or nurse will monitor your blood pressure.

Driving or using machines

Be careful before you drive or use any machines or tools until you know how METARAMINOL WKT affects you.

Looking after your medicine

- METARAMINOL WKT Injection should only be given to you in a hospital. It should be kept in the original packaging until it has been given to you.
- METARAMINOL WKT Injection must be stored below 25°C. Protect from light.

Follow the instructions in the carton on how to take care of your medicine properly.

Store it in a cool dry place away from moisture, heat or sunlight; for example, do not store it:

- in the bathroom or near a sink, or
- in the car or on window sills.

Keep it where young children cannot reach it.

Getting rid of any unwanted medicine

If you no longer need to use this medicine or it is out of date, take it to any pharmacy for safe disposal.

Do not use this medicine after the expiry date.

6. Are there any side effects?

All medicines can have side effects. If you do experience any side effects, most of them are minor and temporary. However, some side effects may need medical attention.

See the information below and, if you need to, ask your doctor or pharmacist if you have any further questions about side effects.

Serious side effects

Serious side effects	What to do
Cardiovascular fast or pounding heartbeat	Call your doctor straight away, or go straight to the Emergency Department at your nearest hospital if you notice any of these serious side effects.
Lungs breathlessness or difficulty breathing	
Face Swelling of the face, lips, mouth or throat difficulty swallowing	

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you notice anything else that may be making you feel unwell.

Other side effects not listed here may occur in some people.

Reporting side effects

After you have received medical advice for any side effects you experience, you can report side effects to the Therapeutic Goods Administration online at www.tga.gov.au/reporting-problems. By reporting side effects, you can help provide more information on the safety of this medicine.

Always make sure you speak to your doctor or pharmacist before you decide to stop taking any of your medicines.

7. Product details

This medicine is only available with a doctor's prescription.

What METARAMINOL WKT contains

Active ingredient (main ingredient)	metaraminol tartrate
Other ingredients (inactive ingredients)	Sodium chloride Sodium hydroxide Hydrochloric acid Water for injections
Potential allergens	sodium metabisulfite

Do not take this medicine if you are allergic to any of these ingredients.

What METARAMINOL WKT looks like

METARAMINOL WKT is provided in clear glass ampoules in two strengths in packs of 10 ampoules

METARAMINOL WKT 5 mg in 10 mL (AUST R 370251)

METARAMINOL WKT 10 mg in 1 mL (AUST R 370253)

Who distributes METARAMINOL WKT

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