

- d. Directions to patient – interpretation of Latin abbreviations where necessary
‘Take ONE 5ml spoonful THREE times a day.’
- e. Recommended *British National Formulary* cautions when suitable
The *British National Formulary* recommends the following cautions (*British National Formulary* 51st edn, p 247):
Label 2 – ‘Warning. May cause drowsiness. If affected do not drive or operate machinery. Avoid alcoholic drink.’
or
Label 19 – ‘Warning. Causes drowsiness which may continue the next day. If affected, do not drive or operate machinery. Avoid alcoholic drink.’
and
Label 8 – ‘Do not stop taking this medicine except on your doctor’s advice.’
As this preparation is being used to treat anxiety and is being taken at night, label 19 would be most suitable. Label 8 would only be required if the product was being used to treat epilepsy.
- f. Discard date.
As the product is unofficial and doesn’t contain a preservative, a 2-week discard would be most suitable.
- g. Sample label (you can assume that the name and address of the pharmacy and the words ‘Keep out of the reach of children’ are pre-printed on the label):

Clobazam 10 mg/5 ml suspension
Take ONE 5ml spoonful THREE times a day.
Shake the bottle
Warning: Causes drowsiness which may continue the next day.
If affected, do not drive or operate machinery. Avoid alcoholic drink.
Do not use after (2 weeks)

150 ml

Each 5 ml contains:

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| Clobazam | 10 mg |
| Concentrated Peppermint Water BP | 0.1 ml |
| Glycerol BP | 0.3 ml |
| Syrup BP | 1.25 ml |
| Compound Tragacanth Powder BP | 100 mg |
| Freshly boiled and cooled purified water | to 5 ml |

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Date of dispensing

7. **Advice to patient**
The patient would be advised to take one 5 ml spoonful three times a day. In addition, the discard date, the need to shake the bottle and additional *British National Formulary* warnings would be highlighted.