

**b. Quantitative particulars**

Quantitative particulars are not required as the product is official.

**c. Product-specific cautions**

As the product is a mouthwash, 'Not to be taken', 'Do not swallow in large amounts' and 'Dilute with an equal volume of water before using' would all be required on the product label.

**d. Directions to patient – interpretation of Latin abbreviations where necessary**

'Use 20 ml as a mouthwash every four hours when required'.

**e. Recommended *British National Formulary* cautions when suitable**

The *British National Formulary* has no specific labelling cautions for this product but does advise dilution with an equal volume of warm water.

**f. Discard date**

The product is a mouthwash containing a preservative and so will attract a 4-week discard date.

**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):****Sodium Chloride Compound Mouthwash BP 150 ml**

Use 20 ml as a mouthwash every four hours when required.

Dilute with an equal volume of water before use.

Do not swallow in large amounts

Not to be taken

Do not use after (4 weeks)

Mrs Avril Asker

Date of dispensing

**7. Advice to patient**

The patient would be advised that 20 ml of mouthwash should preferably be diluted with an equal volume of warm water and used every 4 hours when required. In addition, the discard date and the fact that, although the mouthwash should not be swallowed, it is not harmful to swallow small amounts would be highlighted.

**Example 2.4****The preparation of a magistral formulation from a doctor's prescription**

You receive a prescription in your pharmacy with the following details: