

- **MEDICINAL FORMS** There can be variation in the licensing of different medicines containing the same drug. Forms available from special-order manufacturers include: capsule, oral suspension

Oral suspension

- ▶ **LiskantIn Saft** (Imported (Germany))
Primidone 25 mg per 1 ml LiskantIn Saft 125mg/5ml oral suspension | 250 ml [PoM] [X]

Tablet

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- ▶ **Primidone (Non-proprietary)**
Primidone 50 mg Primidone 50mg tablets | 100 tablet [PoM] £112.50 DT = £111.66
Primidone 250 mg Primidone 250mg tablets | 100 tablet [PoM] £99.65-£123.00 DT = £111.12

HYPNOTICS, SEDATIVES AND ANXIOLYTICS > BENZODIAZEPINES

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Clobazam

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● INDICATIONS AND DOSE

Adjunct in epilepsy

▶ BY MOUTH

- ▶ Child 6-17 years: Initially 5 mg daily, dose to be increased if necessary at intervals of 5 days, maintenance 0.3-1 mg/kg daily, daily doses of up to 30 mg may be given as a single dose at bedtime, higher doses should be divided; maximum 60 mg per day
- ▶ Adult: 20-30 mg daily, then increased if necessary up to 60 mg daily

Anxiety (short-term use)

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- ▶ Adult: 20-30 mg daily in divided doses, alternatively 20-30 mg once daily, dose to be taken at bedtime; increased if necessary up to 60 mg daily in divided doses, dose only increased in severe anxiety (in hospital patients), for debilitated patients, use elderly dose
- ▶ Elderly: 10-20 mg daily

● UNLICENSED USE

- ▶ In children Not licensed as monotherapy.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

SAFE PRACTICE

Clobazam has been confused with clonazepam; care must be taken to ensure the correct drug is prescribed and dispensed.

- **CONTRA-INDICATIONS** Respiratory depression
- **CAUTIONS** Muscle weakness · organic brain changes
CAUTIONS, FURTHER INFORMATION The effectiveness of clobazam may decrease significantly after weeks or months of continuous therapy.
- **INTERACTIONS** → Appendix 1: clobazam
- **SIDE-EFFECTS** Appetite decreased · consciousness impaired · constipation · drug abuse · dry mouth · fall · gait unsteady · libido loss · movement disorders · muscle spasms · nystagmus · respiratory disorder · severe cutaneous adverse reactions (SCARs) · skin reactions · speech impairment · weight increased
- **BREAST FEEDING** Benzodiazepines are present in milk, and should be avoided if possible during breast-feeding.
Monitoring All infants should be monitored for sedation, feeding difficulties, adequate weight gain, and developmental milestones.
- **RENAL IMPAIRMENT**
Dose adjustments Start with small doses in severe impairment.

● MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

- ▶ In children Routine measurement of plasma concentrations of antiepileptic drugs is not usually justified, because the target concentration ranges are arbitrary and often vary between individuals. However, plasma drug concentrations may be measured in children with worsening seizures, status epilepticus, suspected noncompliance, or suspected toxicity. Similarly, haematological and biochemical monitoring should not be undertaken unless clinically indicated.

● PRESCRIBING AND DISPENSING INFORMATION

Switching between formulations Care should be taken when switching between oral formulations in the treatment of epilepsy. The need for continued supply of a particular manufacturer's product should be based on clinical judgement and consultation with the patient or their carer, taking into account factors such as seizure frequency and treatment history.

Patients being treated for epilepsy may need to be maintained on a specific manufacturer's branded or generic clobazam product.

● PATIENT AND CARER ADVICE

Medicines for Children leaflet: Clobazam for preventing seizures www.medicinesforchildren.org.uk/clobazam-preventing-seizures-0

● NATIONAL FUNDING/ACCESS DECISIONS

NHS restrictions Clobazam is not prescribable in NHS primary care except for the treatment of epilepsy; endorse prescription 'SL5'.

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▶ Clobazam (Non-proprietary)

Clobazam 1 mg per 1 ml Clobazam 5mg/5ml oral suspension sugar free sugar-free | 150 ml [PoM] £90.00 DT = £90.00 [CD4-1] sugar-free | 250 ml [PoM] £150.00 [CD4-1]

Clobazam 2 mg per 1 ml Clobazam 10mg/5ml oral suspension sugar free sugar-free | 150 ml [PoM] £95.00 DT = £95.00 [CD4-1] sugar-free | 250 ml [PoM] £158.33 [CD4-1]

▶ Perizam (Rosemont Pharmaceuticals Ltd)

Clobazam 1 mg per 1 ml Perizam 1mg/ml oral suspension sugar-free | 150 ml [PoM] £90.00 DT = £90.00 [CD4-1]

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▶ Tapclob (Martindale Pharmaceuticals Ltd)

Clobazam 1 mg per 1 ml Tapclob 5mg/5ml oral suspension sugar-free | 150 ml [PoM] £90.00 DT = £90.00 [CD4-1] sugar-free | 250 ml [PoM] £150.00 [CD4-1]

Clobazam 2 mg per 1 ml Tapclob 10mg/5ml oral suspension sugar-free | 150 ml [PoM] £95.00 DT = £95.00 [CD4-1] sugar-free | 250 ml [PoM] £158.34 [CD4-1]

▶ Zacco (Thame Laboratories Ltd)

Clobazam 1 mg per 1 ml Zacco 5mg/5ml oral suspension sugar-free | 150 ml [PoM] £82.00 DT = £90.00 [CD4-1]

Clobazam 2 mg per 1 ml Zacco 10mg/5ml oral suspension sugar-free | 150 ml [PoM] £87.00 DT = £95.00 [CD4-1]

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▶ Clobazam (Non-proprietary)

Clobazam 10 mg Clobazam 10mg tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £3.78 DT = £3.76 [CD4-1]

▶ Frisium (Sanofi)

Clobazam 10 mg Frisium 10mg tablets | 30 tablet [PoM] £2.51 DT = £3.76 [CD4-1]