

PIOLET TABLETS

Pioglitazone (15mg, 30mg, 45mg)

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What Pioglitazone Tablets is used for?

- Pioglitazone is indicated in the treatment of type 2 diabetes mellitus.
- It may be used on their own or in combination with metformin and / or a sulphonylurea which are also oral anti-diabetic medicines.

How Pioglitazone Tablets works

Pioglitazone belongs to the group of oral blood glucose lowering drugs.

It helps control the level of sugar in your blood when you have type 2 diabetes by helping your body make better use of the insulin it produces.

Before you use Pioglitazone Tablets

When you must not take it

- You are allergic to pioglitazone or any of the other ingredients of pioglitazone tablets.
- If you have heart failure
- If you have liver disease

Before you start to take it

- If you have a special type of diabetic eye disease called macular oedema.

- If you are planning to become pregnant.
- If you are breast-feeding.
- If you have polycystic ovary syndrome. There may be an increased possibility of your becoming pregnant because of how your medicine works.
- If you have a problem with your liver or heart.
- If you are under 18 years of age because sensitive patients are not recommended

Taking other medicines

- Please tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking or have recently taken any other medicines, including medicines obtained without a prescription.

Children and adolescents (below 18 years)

Pioglitazone Tablet is not to be used in children or adolescents.

Older people (age 65 years and over)

No dosage adjustment is necessary for elderly patients.

Taking Pioglitazone Tablets with food and drink:

- Taking food and drink has no influence on your treatment with Pioglitazone Tablets.

Pregnancy and breast-feeding:

- Pioglitazone tablets are not recommended during pregnancy and breastfeeding.

Ask your pharmacist or doctor for advice before taking any medicine.

How to take Pioglitazone Tablets

How much to take

The usual dose of Pioglitazone tablets is one tablet once daily with or without food.

When to take it

Always take Pioglitazone tablets exactly as your doctor has told you.

Taking Pioglitazone tablets at the same time each day will help you remember when to take your tablet.

How long to take it

Continue taking Pioglitazone tablets every day for as long as your doctor tells you.

If you forget to take it

Do not take a double dose to make up for the forgotten dose, take it as soon as you remember. Then take your next dose as usual.

If you take too much (Overdose)

If you accidentally take too many Pioglitazone tablets, than you have been told to take, or if someone else accidentally takes your medicine, contact your doctor or hospital for advice immediately. Take your medicine with you.

While you are using Pioglitazone Tablets

Things you must do

You should not take this medicine while you are pregnant.

Follow your doctor's instructions carefully.

If you do not follow your doctor's instructions, your treatment may not help or you may have unwanted side effects.

Your doctor will ask you to have blood tests periodically during treatment with Pioglitazone

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tablets. This is to check that your liver is working normally.

Things you must not do

Do not use Pioglitazone Tablets to treat any other complaints unless your doctor says you can. Do not give this medicine to anyone else, even if their symptoms seem to be similar to yours.

Things to be careful of

Pioglitazone has no or negligible influence on the ability to drive and use machines.

Piolet can cause fluid retention. Fluid retention may lead to or exacerbate heart failure. You should talk to your doctor if there is any deterioration in cardiac status.

Bladder cancer has been experienced uncommonly (may affect up to 1 in 100 people) in patients taking Piolet. Signs and symptoms include blood in your urine, pain when urinating or a sudden need to urinate. If you experience any of these, talk to your doctor as soon as possible.

When you must not use it

Pioglitazone is contraindicated in patients with:

- hypersensitivity to the active substance or to any of the excipients
- cardiac failure or history of cardiac failure (NYHA stages I to IV)
- hepatic impairment
- diabetic ketoacidosis.
- Current bladder cancer or a history of bladder cancer

Side effects

Like all medicines, Pioglitazone tablets can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them.

Most of the side effects are mild to moderate. And will generally disappear after a few days to

few weeks of treatment. However, if they are severe or last for more than a few days, tell your doctor.

You may report any side effects or adverse drug reactions directly to the National Centre for Adverse Drug Reaction Monitoring by visiting the website npra.gov.my [Consumers → Reporting Side Effects to Medicines (ConSERF) or Vaccines (AEFI)]

Common side effects (affecting between 1 to 10 people in 100):**Monotherapy**

- Visual disturbance
- upper respiratory tract Infection
- weight increased
- reduced sense of touch or sensation

Combination therapy with Metformin

- decrease in number of blood cells
- Visual disturbance
- Weight increased
- joint pain
- Headache
- blood in the urine
- sexual dysfunction

Combination therapy with Sulphonylurea

- excessive stomach or intestinal gas
- weight increased
- dizziness

Uncommon side effects (affecting between 1 to 10 people in 1000):**Monotherapy**

- inflammation of the sinuses
- sleeplessness

Combination therapy with Metformin

- excessive stomach or intestinal gas

Neoplasms benign, malignant and unspecified (including cysts and polyps)

- Bladder Cancer

Combination therapy with Metformin

- Bladder Cancer

Combination therapy with Sulphonylurea

- sensation of whirling and loss of balance
- Visual disturbance
- Extreme tiredness
- Increased levels of enzymes
- Appetite increased
- low blood sugar
- Headache
- excess of sugar and proteins in the urine
- Sweating
- Bladder Cancer

After using Pioglitazone Tablets**Storage**

- Do not store above 30°C
- Keep your medicine in the Original Pack.
- As with all medicines, keep them in safe place out of the reach and sight of children.
- Do not use the tablets after the expiry date stated on the carton and blister EXP. The expiry date refers to the last day of that month

Disposal

- Medicines should not be disposed of via wastewater or household waste. Ask your pharmacist how to dispose of medicines no longer required. These measures will help to protect the environment.

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Product description

Piolet 15mg, 30mg and 45mg tablets are available in pack sizes of 14 tablets (2x14T).

Ingredients

Lactose Monohydrate
Carmellose Calcium
Hydroxy propyl Cellulose
Magnesium Stearate
Purified Water

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Piolet 15mg Tablet:
MAL10012471AZ
Piolet 30mg Tablet:
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