

BECLOMETHASONE (for Inhalation)
(Beclazone[®], Respocort[®])

What does it do?

Beclomethasone is a steroid used to decrease inflammation in the airways, thereby preventing shortness of breath or asthma attacks.

How should you take it?

Beclomethasone should be inhaled as directed. The specific instructions for each inhaler device should be followed closely.

What if you miss a dose?

Inhale *beclomethasone* regularly as directed. Take the missed dose as soon as possible and continue as directed.

Can you take other medicines?

Tell your pharmacist or doctor about all other medicines or treatments that you may be taking including vitamins and herbal medicines.

Side effects?

Side effects with *beclomethasone* are usually mild. Some that may be noticed include:

Effect	Recommended action
sore mouth/throat, mouth sores	} try to inhale your dose via spacer device } rinse mouth well after use } if symptoms persist , tell your doctor
skin rash, swelling, itching	} tell your doctor
breathing difficulties, dizziness	}
hoarseness, cough	}
fever, chills, stuffy or runny nose	}
headache, fever, muscle aches	} tell your doctor if troublesome
stomach upset, nausea, diarrhoea	}
dry mouth, thirst, altered taste	}

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you notice any other unusual effects that you think might be related to your medication.

Other information:

- Tell your doctor if you have diabetes, glaucoma or cataracts; or are pregnant or breast-feeding.
- *Beclomethasone* should not be used instead of “reliever” medicines to treat asthma attacks.
- Rinse mouth well with water after use to prevent thrush and hoarseness.