

## **Package leaflet: Information for the user**

### **Sterilised Water for Injections**

#### **Solvent for parenteral use**

**Read all of this leaflet carefully before you start using this medicine because it contains important information for you.**

- Keep this leaflet. You may need to read it again.
- If you have any further questions, ask your doctor, nurse or healthcare professional.
- This medicine has been prescribed for you only. Do not pass it on to others. It may harm them, even if their signs of illness are the same as yours.
- If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor, nurse or healthcare professional. This includes any possible side effects not listed in this leaflet. See section 4.

#### **What is in this leaflet**

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#### **1. What Sterilised Water for Injections is and what it is used for**

Sterilised Water for Injections contains water that has been very carefully purified and sterilised so there are no chemicals, bacteria or moulds in it.

Sterilised Water for Injections is used to dissolve and dilute other medicines so that they can be given into your blood stream as an intravenous injection (into the vein).

#### **2. What you need to know before you use Sterilised Water for Injections**

##### **Do not use Sterilised Water for Injections**

- if you are sensitive or allergic to sterilised water.

##### **Other medicines and Sterilised Water for Injections**

Tell your doctor, nurse or healthcare professional if you are taking, have recently taken or might take any other medicines including medicines obtained without a prescription.

##### **Pregnancy, breast-feeding and fertility**

If you are pregnant or breast-feeding, think you may be pregnant or are planning to have a baby, tell your doctor, nurse or healthcare professional for advice before taking this medicine.

##### **Driving and using machines**

Ask your doctor for advice before taking the medicine that is going to be dissolved or diluted with Sterilised Water for Injections.

### **3. How to use Sterilised Water for Injections**

Your doctor, nurse or healthcare professional will decide the correct amount of Sterilised Water for Injections to dissolve or dilute the medicine that you are receiving as an injection. They will also tell you how and when the injection will be given.

#### **If you use more Sterilised Water for Injections than you should**

It is most unlikely that you will be given too much Sterilised Water for Injections by the doctor or nurse. Your doctor and nurse will be monitoring your progress and check the medicine that you are given. The signs and symptoms of overdose will be related to those of the medicine which is being dissolved or diluted with Sterilised Water for Injections. However, if you feel unwell afterwards or have any discomfort, tell your doctor or nurse.

#### **If you forget to take Sterilised Water for Injections**

If you think that you have missed a dose, contact your doctor, nurse or healthcare professional. Do not take a double dose to make up for a forgotten dose.

### **4. Possible side effects**

Like all medicines, this medicine can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them.

Water is a natural substance in the body and so is unlikely to cause any unwanted effects.

If you think this injection is causing you any problems, or you are worried, talk to your doctor, nurse or healthcare professional.

#### **Reporting of side effects**

If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor, pharmacist or nurse: This includes any possible side effects not listed in this leaflet. You can also report side effects directly via the Yellow Card Scheme at: [www.mhra.gov.uk/yellowcard](http://www.mhra.gov.uk/yellowcard) or search for MHRA Yellow Card in the Google Play or Apple App Store. By reporting side effects you can help provide more information on the safety of this medicine.

### **5. How to store Sterilised Water for Injections**

Keep this medicine out of the sight and reach of children.

Do not use Sterilised Water for Injections if the bottle is damaged or if the contents are discoloured or contain particles.

Do not use this medicine after the expiry date which is stated on the label and carton. The expiry date refers to the last day of that month.

Do not store above 30°C. Do not freeze.

Do not throw away any medicines via wastewater or household waste. Ask your pharmacist how to throw away medicines you no longer use. These measures will help protect the environment.

### **6. Contents of the pack and other information**

#### **What Sterilised Water for Injections contains**

Each ml of solvent contains 1 ml of Sterilised Water for Injections.

Each 2.5 ml vial contains 2.5 ml of Sterilised Water for Injections.

Each 5 ml vial contains 5 ml of Sterilised Water for Injections.

**What Sterilised Water for Injections looks like and contents of the pack**

Sterilised Water for Injections is a clear and colourless liquid.

Sterilised Water for Injections is available in 2.5 ml and 5 ml clear glass vials with 1 vial in each box.

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