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PACKAGE LEAFLET: INFORMATION FOR THE USER

Dermacort Hydrocortisone Cream

- Read all of this leaflet carefully before you start taking this medicine.

- Keep this leaflet. You may need to read it again.

- If you have any further questions, please ask your doctor or pharmacist.

Do not pass this medicine on to others. It may harm them, even if their symptoms are the same as yours.

In this leaflet:

1. What Dermacort is and what it is used for
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1. WHAT DERMACORT IS AND WHAT IT IS USED FOR

The name of the medicine is Dermacort. The active ingredient is 0.1% Hydrocortisone, in a lanolin-free cream base that is quickly absorbed into the skin to treat the irritation that causes itching. Dermacort reduces swelling and redness and allows healing.

Dermacort can be used for the treatment of skin irritations, dermatitis and rashes due to reactions to plants, insect bites, jewellery, toiletries, deodorants, soaps and detergents. It may also be used for the treatment of mild to moderate eczema.

2. BEFORE YOU USE DERMACORT

Do not use Dermacort:

- if you have had an allergy to any creams or ointments in the past
- on the eyes or face
- on the ano-genital region
- on broken or infected skin, including cold sores, acne and athlete's foot
- if you think you may be pregnant
- in children under 10 years of age without medical advice.

Warnings and precautions

Do not smoke or go near naked flames - risk of severe burns. Fabric (clothing, bedding, dressings etc) that has been in contact with this product burns more easily and is a serious fire hazard. Washing clothing and bedding may reduce product build-up but not totally remove it.

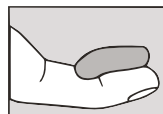
Important information about some of the ingredients of Dermacort
Dermacort contains propylene glycol which may cause skin irritation.

Contact your doctor if you experience blurred vision or other visual disturbances.

3. HOW TO USE DERMACORT

Dermacort is for **EXTERNAL USE ONLY.**

- **Adults and children over 10 years:** Apply a thin layer to cover the affected area once or twice a day.
- You should find that:
 - two fingertips of cream will treat both hands or one foot
 - three fingertips of cream will treat one arm
- You should only apply the cream to the affected area
- Rub in gently until the cream disappears.
- Wash your hands before and after application, unless used for treating the hands.



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Do not use Dermacort for more than one week. If the condition does not improve after one week consult your doctor.

4. POSSIBLE SIDE EFFECTS

You may find that your condition gets worse during treatment, you may be allergic to the cream or have a skin infection. **If this happens stop using the cream and contact your doctor or pharmacist as soon as possible.**

Uncommon side effect (may affect up to 1 in 100 people)
•Blurred vision

Reporting of side effects

If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor, nurse or pharmacist. 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.

By reporting side effects you can help provide more information on the safety of this medicine.

5. HOW TO STORE DERMACORT

Do not use Dermacort after the expiry date stamped on the tube and the pack. The expiry date refers to the last day of the month.

Dermacort should be stored in a cool, dry place (below 25°C).

Keep this medicine out of the sight and reach of children

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 protect the environment.

6. FURTHER INFORMATION

What Dermacort contains

The cream does not contain Lanolin.

The active substance in Dermacort is 0.1% Hydrocortisone.

The other ingredients are propylene glycol, emulsifying ointment, citric acid and purified water.

Contents of the pack

Dermacort is available in packs of 15g.

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