

## **INFORMATION FOR THE USER:**

Read all of this leaflet carefully because it contains important information for you.

This medicine is available without prescription. However, you still need to take this medicine carefully to get the best results from it.

Keep this leaflet. You may need to read it again. If you have any further questions once you have read it, ask your

doctor or pharmacist. You must contact a doctor if your symptoms worsen or do not improve after 3 days for children and adolescents between 12

and 18 years and after 10 days for adults. If any of the side effects gets serious, or if you notice any side effects not listed in this leaflet, please tell your doctor or

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### . What Nurofen Pain Relief 200mg Soft Capsules are and what they are used for

The active ingredient (which makes this medicine work) is ibuprofen. It belongs to a group of medicines known as non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs). NSAIDs provide relief by changing the body's response to pain, swelling and high temperature

Nurofen Pain Relief 200mg Soft Capsules are used for the effective relief of fever and pain, such as:

- headaches and migraine pain
- nerve pain, backache, period pain, rheumatic and muscular pain
- cold and flu symptoms dental pain

# 2. Before you take Nurofen Pain Relief 200mg Soft Capsules

# Do not take these capsules if you:

- are allergic to ibuprofen or any of the other inaredients of this product (see section 6), or to aspirin or other related painkillers have (or have had two or more episodes of) a stomach ulcer, perforation or bleeding
- have had a worsening of asthma, allergic rash or itchy, runny nose or facial swelling when taking similar medicines
- ever had stomach bleeding or a perforation when previously
- takina NSAIDs
- are taking other NSAIDs are taking more than 75 mg of aspirin a day. If you are on low dose aspirin (up to 75mg daily) speak to your doctor or pharmacist before you take this medicine.
- have severe liver or kidney problems
- have heart problems, high blood pressure or blood coagulation
- disorder have breathing difficulties
- are in the last 3 months of pregnancy
- are under 12 years old

#### Check with your doctor or pharmacist before taking this medicine if vou:

- have or have had asthma
- have kidney, heart, liver, or bowel problems
- have high cholesterol or previously have had a heart attack or stroke
- have a history of gastrointestinal disease (such as ulcerative colitis, Crohn's disease)
- have systemic lupus erythematosus (a condition of the immune system causing joint pain, skin changes and other organ
- disorders) are a smoker
- are in the first 6 months of pregnancy.

If symptoms persist or worsen, consult your doctor.

# Taking other medicines

To reduce the risk of side effects, do not take this product with other If symptoms persist or worsen, or if any new symptoms occur, NSAID containing products (e.g.) aspirin, ibuprofen). If you are on low dose aspirin (up to 75mg daily), speak to your doctor or

pharmacist before you take this medicine.

Nurofen may affect or be affected by some other medicines. For

- as anti-coagulants (i.e. thin blood/prevent clotting) e.g. aspirin/acetylsalicylic acid, warfarin, ticlopidine)
- to stimulate your heart (e.g. glycosides)
- to reduce high blood pressure (ACE-inhibitors such as captopril, beta-blockers such as atenolol medicines, angiotensin-II receptor antagonists such as losartan)
- to help you passing water (diuretics)
- for the temporary suppression of your immune system
- (e.g. methotrexate, cyclosporine, tacrolimus) • for mania or depression (e.g. Lithium or SSRIs)
- for pregnancy termination (e.g.mifepristone)
- for HIV treatment (e.g. zidovudine)

Some other medicines may also affect or be affected by the treatment of Nurofen. You should therefore always seek the advice of your doctor or pharmacist before you use Nurofen with other

#### Other warnings

- This product belongs to a group of medicines which may impair fertility in women. This is reversible on stopping the medicine. It is unlikely that this product, if used occasionally, will affect your chances of becoming pregnant. However, tell you doctor before taking this medicine if you have problems becoming pregnant.
- Anti-inflammatory/pain-killer medicines such as ibuprofen may be associated with a small increased risk of heart attack or stroke, particularly when used at high doses. Do not exceed the recommended dose or duration of treatment.
- You should discuss your treatment with your doctor or pharmacist before taking Nurofen if you:
- have heart problems including heart failure, angina (chest pain), or if you have had a heart attack, bypass surgery, peripheral artery disease (poor circulation in the leas of feet due to narrow or blocked arteries), or any kind of stroke (including 'mini-stroke' or transient ischaemic attack "TIA").
- have high blood pressure, diabetes, high cholesterol, have a family history of heart disease or stroke, or if you are a smoker. There is a risk of kidney problems in dehydrated children and

# Pregnancy and breast-feeding

adolescents.

Tell your doctor if you become pregnant whilst taking this product. Do not take the capsules if you are in the last 3 months of pregnancy. Avoid the use of this medicine in the first 6 months of pregnancy, unless the doctor advises otherwise Speak to your doctor or pharmacist for advice before taking any medicine if you are breast-feeding.

# Important information about some of the ingredients of Nurofen Pain Relief 200mg Soft Capsules

These capsules contain

- sorbitol. If you have been told by your doctor that you have an intolerance to some sugars, contact your doctor before taking these capsules.
- **potassium** (18mg per capsule). To be taken into consideration by patients with reduced kidney function or patients on a controlled potassium diet.

# 3. How to take Nurofen Pain Relief 200mg Soft Capsules

This product is for short term use only. You should take the lowest dose for the shortest time necessary to relieve your symptoms.

# Adults, the elderly and children and adolescents between 12 and 18 years:

Take one or two capsules (200mg – 400mg), up to three times a day as required.

Leave at least 4 hours between doses and do not take more than 6 capsules in 24 hours.

# Do not give to children under 12 years.

Do not take this medicine for longer than 10 days unless your doctor

consult your doctor or pharmacist.

In children and adolescents between 12 and 18 years:

If in children and adolescents this medicinal product is required for more than 3 days, or if symptoms worsen a doctor should be

### If you have taken more Nurofen Pain Relief 200ma Soft Capsules than you should, or if children have taken this medicine by accident always contact a doctor or nearest hospital to get an opinion of the risk and advice on action to be taken.

The symptoms can include nausea, stomach pain, vomiting (may be What Nurofen Pain Relief 200mg Soft Capsules contains blood streaked), headache, ringing in the ears, confusion and shaky eye movement. At high doses, drowsiness, chest pain, palpitations, loss of consciousness, convulsions (mainly in children), weakness and dizziness, blood in urine, cold body feeling, and breathing problems have been reported.

If you forget to take Nurofen Pain Relief 200mg Soft Capsules Do not take a double dose, to make up for a missed dose. Simply refer to the directions above on how to take the medicine and do not

# take more than is advised

Like all medicines, Nurofen Pain Relief 200mg Soft Capsules can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them.

### If you suffer from any of the following, at any time, during your treatment STOP TAKING the medicine and seek immediate medical help:

- pass blood in your faeces (stools/motions)
- pass black tarry stools

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- vomit any blood or dark particles that look like coffee grounds · difficulty in breathing, unexplained wheezing, worsening of existing asthma
- other allergic type reactions (e.g. swelling of the face or throat, low blood pressure, fast heart rate)
- a severe skin reaction known as DRESS syndrome can occur. Symptoms of DRESS include: skin rash, fever, swelling of lymph nodes and an increase of eosinophils (a type of white blood cells).

## STOP TAKING the medicine and tell your doctor if you experience any of the following side effects, or anything unusual happens:

- indiaestion or heartburn
- abdominal pain (pains in your stomach) or other abnormal stomach symptoms.
- a skin rash (which may be severe, such as Stevens-Johnson syndrome), itchy skin or blisters

Medicines such as Nurofen Pain Relief 200mg Soft Capsules may be associated with a small increased risk of heart attack (myocardial infarction) or stroke.

#### Please tell your doctor or pharmacist if you experience any of the following side effects, they become worse or if you notice any other effects not listed

- oedema (fluid retention), high blood pressure (hypertension) and heart failure
- headache
- nausea, diarrhoea, constipation, vomiting and flatulence (wind)
- skin peeling
- kidney and liver disorders
- blood disorders. The first signs can be fever, sore throat, mouth ulcers, 'flu-like symptoms, severe exhaustion, unexplained bleeding and bruising.
- meningitis symptoms such as fever and chills, severe headache, nausea, vomiting and stiff neck (in patients with existing auto-immune disorders such as systemic lupus erythematosus).
- worsening of colitis or Crohn's disease (inflammation of the bowel).

 $\ensuremath{\,\text{|f}}$  any of the side effects gets serious, or if you notice any side effects not listed in this leaflet please tell your doctor or pharmacist.

# 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 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 Nurofen Pain Relief 200mg Soft Capsules

Keep all medicines out of the sight and reach of children. Do not use these capsules after the expiry date printed on the blister or carton. The expiry date refers to the last day of that month. Keep the capsules in the original pack. Do not store above 25°C.

In case of poor storage conditions, this product may deteriorate. If you notice any signs of leakage of the capsules or change in colour, you should discard the capsules

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.

## 6. FURTHER INFORMATION

The active ingredient is: ibuprofen 200mg. The other ingredients are: macrogol 600, potassium hydroxide, gelatine, sorbitol (E420), purified water, Opacode WB white NS-78-18011 (titànium dioxide (E171), hypromellose, propylene

(see also end of Section 2 "Important information about some of the ingredients of Nurofen Pain Relief 200mg Soft Capsules").

# What Nurofen Pain Relief 200mg Soft Capsules look like and

contents of the pack Each Nurofen Pain Relief 200mg Soft Capsules is an oval clear capsule printed in white with a logo.

This product is available in packs of 4, 10 and 16 capsules. Not all pack sizes may be marketed

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