

METHOXYFLURANE (*Penthrane*) (C)

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TYPE:	Volatile inhalation anaesthetic and analgesic agent [S4]
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PRESENTATION:	3ml bottle
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ACTION:	Central nervous system depressant Onset: 3 – 5 mins. Offset: 3 – 5 mins.
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USE:	ICP For relief of pain of all origins	AP
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ADVERSE EFFECTS:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Altered consciousness2. Renal dysfunction (rare with once only ambulance use)3. Jaundice (rare with once only ambulance use)4. Uterine atonia
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CONTRA-INDICATIONS:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Depressed level of consciousness2. Known hypersensitivity3. Malignant hyperthermia4. Concurrent doxycycline use (e.g. <i>Doryx, Doxsig, Doxylin, Frakas, etc.</i>)
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PRECAUTIONS:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Renal disease2. Diabetes3. Caution if patient unable to self-administer4. Use in the post-delivery phase of labour, and with post-partum haemorrhage (may induce uterine atonia)
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DOSE:

ADULT and PAEDIATRIC:		
ICP	Up to 3ml – self administered via Pentrox inhaler. Repeat once if required. Dose should not exceed 6ml/day or 15ml/week. (If used during labour, discontinue use post-delivery, and if PPH is suspected)	AP