

# WAXSOL<sup>®</sup> Ear Drops

Docusate sodium 0.5% w/v

## CONSUMER MEDICINE INFORMATION

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### For easy removal of ear wax

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**Read all of this leaflet carefully before you start using this medicine.**

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

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

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

If any of the side effects become serious, or you notice any side effects not listed in this leaflet, please tell your doctor or pharmacist.

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### 1. What WAXSOL is and what it is used for

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WAXSOL is used to help remove ear wax in adults, and the elderly. Use in children under 12 years only on medical advice. The drops help to clear your ear canal if it is blocked with wax by softening it and breaking it up. WAXSOL contains a mild emulsifier which penetrates and helps disperse ear wax.

#### **What is ear wax?**

Ear wax is produced by the glands in the skin lining the ear canal, and its purpose appears to be protective.

#### **Ear Care**

The shape of the ear canal makes it difficult to clean. Because of the delicate nature of the ear, cotton buds and other instruments should never

be inserted into it. WAXSOL is used to soften and remove ear wax.

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### 2. Before you use WAXSOL

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Do not use WAXSOL

- if you have a perforated eardrum (a hole in your eardrum).
- if your ear is sore or inflamed.

#### **Pregnancy and breastfeeding**

WAXSOL can be used if you are pregnant or breast-feeding.

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### 3. How to use WAXSOL

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**Always use WAXSOL exactly as directed.**

You should check with your doctor or pharmacist if you are not sure.

#### **How to use the drops:**

- Fill the dropper from the bottle.
- Tilt your head to one side.
- Gently drip WAXSOL into your blocked ear until it is full.
- Place a cotton wool plug in the ear. The best time to do this is before you go to bed.

**Only use the drops for 2 nights at a time.**

If you feel that the drops are not working after this time, or the problem continues to exist, please contact your doctor or pharmacist.

**If you use more WAXSOL than you should, this may seep from the ear.**

It is unlikely that you will notice any problems but if you do have any, (such as skin irritation), you should tell your doctor.

If you have any further questions on the use of this product, ask your doctor or pharmacist.

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### 4. Possible side effects

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

- Some people may have an allergic reaction which may include redness of the skin area and/or a rash.
- If you should experience any pain on application, you should stop using this product and seek medical advice.

**Do not use WAXSOL if you have an injury or swelling of the ear canal as this may result in painful symptoms.**

**Always tell your doctor or pharmacist if you think the drops are causing you a problem.**

If any of the side effects become serious, or you notice any side effects not listed in this leaflet, please tell your doctor or pharmacist.

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## **5. How to store WAXSOL**

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Keep all medicines out of reach of children.

Store the bottle below 25°C. Do not use WAXSOL after the expiry date which is printed or embossed on the carton and label.

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## **6. Further Information**

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### ***What WAXSOL contains***

WAXSOL is a clear colourless liquid. It contains 10 mL of docusate sodium 0.5 % w/v in a water miscible base containing glycerine and water.

It contains a mixture of hydroxybenzoate esters 1.7 mg/mL and phenoxyethanol 4.3 mg/mL as preservatives.

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