



## Section 13: Appendix 1: Medications

### FUROSEMIDE (LASIX)

Pregnancy Category - C

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<b>ACTIONS</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Potent diuretic</li><li>2. Inhibits renal sodium reabsorption</li><li>3. Vasodilatation</li></ol>
<b>INDICATIONS</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Acute pulmonary edema</li></ol>
<b>CONTRAINDICATIONS</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Known hypersensitivity</li><li>2. Dehydrated patient</li><li>3. Pregnant patient</li><li>4. Pneumonia patient</li></ol>
<b>PRECAUTIONS</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Dehydration</li><li>2. Hypovolemia</li><li>3. Hypotension</li><li>4. Electrolyte loss</li><li>5. Allergy to sulfamides</li></ol>
<b>SIDE EFFECTS</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Urination</li><li>2. Hypotension</li><li>3. Nausea and vomiting</li><li>4. Dehydration</li><li>5. Electrolyte imbalance</li></ol>
<b>SUPPLIED</b>	40 mg / 4 ml vial
<b>ADULT DOSAGE</b>	40 mg slow IV <b>MUST CALL MEDICAL CONTROL</b> If the patient is already prescribed Furosemide (Lasix) and is compliant, give double their usual dose up to 80 mg
<b>PEDIATRIC DOSAGE</b>	Not recommended in the pre-hospital setting
<b>KEY POINTS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Call medical control to assure patient is CHF and not pneumonia prior to administration</li></ul>
<b>PROTOCOL USE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Congestive Heart Failure / Pulmonary Edema</li></ul>