



Section 13: Appendix 1: Medications

FUROSEMIDE (LASIX)

Pregnancy Category - C

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ACTIONS	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Potent diuretic2. Inhibits renal sodium reabsorption3. Vasodilatation
INDICATIONS	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Acute pulmonary edema
CONTRAINDICATIONS	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Known hypersensitivity2. Dehydrated patient3. Pregnant patient4. Pneumonia patient
PRECAUTIONS	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Dehydration2. Hypovolemia3. Hypotension4. Electrolyte loss5. Allergy to sulfamides
SIDE EFFECTS	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Urination2. Hypotension3. Nausea and vomiting4. Dehydration5. Electrolyte imbalance
SUPPLIED	40 mg / 4 ml vial
ADULT DOSAGE	40 mg slow IV MUST CALL MEDICAL CONTROL If the patient is already prescribed Furosemide (Lasix) and is compliant, give double their usual dose up to 80 mg
PEDIATRIC DOSAGE	Not recommended in the pre-hospital setting
KEY POINTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Call medical control to assure patient is CHF and not pneumonia prior to administration
PROTOCOL USE	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Congestive Heart Failure / Pulmonary Edema