

MAXAIR®



Other names: Pirbuterol Acetate

Type of medicine: Bronchodilator
Short-acting Beta 2- Agonist (inhaled)

Why you need it: Maxair is a "rescue" asthma inhaler which can help improve breathing very quickly.

How it is given: Inhaled

Side effects: Shaky, nervous
Increased heart rate
Nausea, headache

Tips for Taking

1. Shake your Maxair asthma inhaler gently before each use
2. Breathe out fully before inhaling medication, hold your breath for several seconds, then exhale slowly.
3. The autohaler releases the correct amount of drug.
4. Wait at least one minute in between inhalations.
5. Keep track of inhalations used
6. Use only when you are having problems with coughing or wheezing
7. Clean your inhaler daily by removing canister and mouthpiece and soaking in warm water or alcohol. Allow parts to dry and then put inhaler back together.
8. Store device in a cool dry place.

Please discuss any questions about this medicine with your doctor or nurse.

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