

What is Caladryl Clear (pramoxine (topical))?

Pramoxine is a topical (applied to the [skin](#)) anesthetic. It works by interfering with pain signals sent from the nerves to the brain.

Pramoxine topical is used to treat pain or itching caused by insect bites, minor burns or scrapes, hemorrhoids, and minor skin rash, dryness, or itching. Pramoxine topical is also used to treat chapped lips, and pain or [skin irritation](#) caused by coming into contact with poison ivy, poison oak, or poison sumac.

Pramoxine topical may also be used for purposes other than those listed in this medication guide.

What is the most important information I should know about Caladryl Clear (pramoxine (topical))?

Use this medication as directed on the label, or as your [doctor](#) has prescribed. Do not use the medication in larger amounts or for longer than recommended.

Get emergency medical help if you have any of these signs of an [allergic](#) reaction: hives; difficulty breathing; swelling of your face, lips, tongue, or throat.

Less serious side effects are more likely, and you may have none at all. Talk to your doctor about any unusual or bothersome side effects.

What should I discuss with my health care provider before using Caladryl Clear (pramoxine (topical))?

Do not use this medication if you are allergic to pramoxine.

Before using pramoxine topical, tell your doctor if you are allergic to any drugs or any other anesthetics or "numbing medicines."

FDA pregnancy category C. It is not known whether pramoxine topical is harmful to an unborn [baby](#). Before taking this medication, tell your doctor if you are pregnant or plan to become pregnant during treatment. It is not known whether pramoxine topical passes into breast milk or if it could harm a nursing baby. Do not use this medication without telling your doctor if you are breast-feeding a baby.