

INFORMATION FOR THE PATIENT

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APO-TENOXCAM

Tenoxicam Tablets

IMPORTANT INFORMATION YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT APO-TENOXCAM

- APO-TENOXCAM (tenoxicam) is a nonsteroidal, anti-inflammatory agent. It has been prescribed by your doctor to relieve symptoms such as inflammation, swelling, fever, stiffness and joint pain, often caused by certain types of arthritis.
- APO-TENOXCAM has been prescribed to you. It should not be given to other people or used for other problems unless specified by your doctor.
- APO-TENOXCAM should be taken only as directed by your doctor. Do not take more of it, do not take it more often or do not take it for a longer period of time than prescribed by your doctor.
- APO-TENOXCAM's effect is evident in early treatment; however, in certain types of arthritis, up to two weeks may pass before the full benefit may be felt by you.

Before Using APO-TENOXCAM:

THINGS YOU SHOULD TELL YOUR DOCTOR:

- If you have a history of stomach upset, ulcer, liver or kidney disease.
- If you are pregnant or if you intend to become pregnant.
- If you are breast-feeding.
- If you are taking any medication for other unrelated medical problems, such as anticoagulants and/or antidiabetics.
- If you have had any unusual or allergic reactions with other nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory agents or ASA (acetylsalicylic acid) related products.
- If you are presently taking medications to relieve your symptoms of arthritis.

Side Effects:

- As with other medications, some unwanted effects may occur with APO-TENOXCAM. The most common adverse effects encountered are gastrointestinal, such as abdominal distress or discomfort, nausea and heartburn.
- Other side effects do not appear very often; however, they may require medical attention. Consult your doctor if the following occur:
 - tightness in chest, shortness of breath, or troubled breathing
 - bloody or black tarry stool
 - blurred vision
 - hearing problems
 - skin rash, itching or hives
 - swelling of face, feet or lower legs
 - mental confusion or depression
 - indigestion, nausea, vomiting, stomach pain or diarrhea

NOTE: Elderly people should report adverse reactions immediately.

How to Use APO-TENOXCAM:

- Take APO-TENOXCAM **as directed** by your doctor.
- Take this medicine immediately after a meal or with food to lessen the chance of stomach upset.

NOTE: If stomach upset (nausea, vomiting, stomach pain, diarrhea, or indigestion) occurs and persists, check with your doctor.

REMEMBER:

- Tell your doctor, dentist or pharmacist that you consult or see, that you are taking this medication.
- If you are drowsy, dizzy or lightheaded after taking this medication, be cautious about driving or participating in activities that require alertness.
- Call your doctor, if you have any questions or troubling symptoms.
- Keep this medicine out of the reach of children.
- Read your prescription label carefully; ask your pharmacist if you have any questions.
- Take your medication as directed by your doctor.
- Check with your doctor, if you are not getting relief or if any problems develop.

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