

Medication Guide

PERCOCET® ('pər-kō-, set)

Tablets, CII

PERCOCET is:

- A strong prescription pain medicine that contains an opioid (narcotic) that is used to manage moderate to moderately severe pain severe enough to require an opioid analgesic, when other pain treatments such as non-opioid pain medicines do not treat your pain well enough or you cannot tolerate them.
- An opioid pain medicine that can put you at risk for overdose and death. Even if you take your dose correctly as prescribed you are at risk for opioid addiction, abuse, and misuse that can lead to death.

Important information about PERCOCET tablets

- **Get emergency help right away if you take too much PERCOCET (overdose).** When you first start taking PERCOCET, when your dose is changed, or if you take too much (overdose), serious or life-threatening breathing problems that can lead to death may occur.
- Taking PERCOCET with other opioid medicines, benzodiazepines, alcohol, or other central nervous system depressants (including street drugs) can cause severe drowsiness, decreased awareness, breathing problems, coma, and death.
- Never give anyone else your PERCOCET. They could die from taking it. Store PERCOCET away from children and in a safe place to prevent stealing or abuse. Selling or giving away PERCOCET is against the law.

Do not take PERCOCET if you have:

- severe asthma, trouble breathing, or other lung problems
- a bowel blockage or have narrowing of the stomach or intestines
- known hypersensitivity to oxycodone, acetaminophen, or any other component of this product
- hypercarbia

Before taking PERCOCET tell your healthcare provider if you have a history of:

- head injury, seizures
- problems urinating
- abuse of street or prescription drugs, alcohol addiction, or mental health problems.
- liver, kidney, thyroid problems
- pancreas or gallbladder problems

Tell your healthcare provider if you are:

- **pregnant or planning to become pregnant.** Prolonged use of PERCOCET during pregnancy can cause withdrawal symptoms in your newborn baby that could be life-threatening if not recognized and treated.
- **breastfeeding.** PERCOCET passes into breast milk and may harm your baby.
- taking prescription or over-the-counter medicines, vitamins, or herbal supplements. Taking PERCOCET with certain other medicines can cause serious side effects that could lead to death.

When taking PERCOCET:

- Do not change your dose. Take PERCOCET exactly as prescribed by your healthcare provider.
- Take your prescribed dose every 6 hours at the same time every day. Do not take more than your prescribed dose. If you miss a dose, take your next dose at your usual time.

- Call your healthcare provider if the dose you are taking does not control your pain.
- If you have been taking PERCOCET regularly, do not stop taking PERCOCET without talking to your healthcare provider.
- After you stop taking PERCOCET, the unused tablets should be destroyed by flushing down the toilet.

While taking PERCOCET DO NOT:

- Drive or operate heavy machinery, until you know how PERCOCET affects you. PERCOCET can make you sleepy, dizzy, or lightheaded.
- Drink alcohol or use prescription or over-the-counter medicines that contain alcohol. Using products containing alcohol during treatment with PERCOCET may cause you to overdose and die.

The possible side effects of PERCOCET :

- constipation, nausea, sleepiness, vomiting, tiredness, headache, dizziness, abdominal pain. Call your healthcare provider if you have any of these symptoms and they are severe.

Get emergency medical help if you have:

- trouble breathing, shortness of breath, fast heartbeat, chest pain, swelling of your face, tongue, or throat, extreme drowsiness, light-headedness when changing positions, feeling faint, agitation, high body temperature, trouble walking, stiff muscles, or mental changes such as confusion.

These are not all the possible side effects of PERCOCET. Call your doctor for medical advice about side effects. You may report side effects to FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088 . **For more information go to dailymed.nlm.nih.gov**

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