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release carbon dioxide when dissolved in water.


Subpart B—Active Ingredients

§ 341.12 Antihistamine active ingredients.

The active ingredient of the product consists of any of the following when used within the dosage limits established for each ingredient:

(a) Brompheniramine maleate.
(b) Chlorcyclizine hydrochloride.
(c) Chlorpheniramine maleate.
(d) Dexbrompheniramine maleate.
(e) Dexchlorpheniramine maleate.
(f) Diphenhydramine citrate.
(g) Diphenhydramine hydrochloride.
(h) Doxylamine succinate.
(i) Phenindamine tartrate.
(j) Pheniramine maleate.
(k) Pyrilamine maleate.
(l) Triprolidine hydrochloride.

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§ 341.14 Antitussive active ingredients.

The active ingredients of the product consist of any of the following when used within the dosage limits and in the dosage forms established for each ingredient in §341.74(d):

(a) Oral antitussives.
   (1) Chlophedianol hydrochloride.
   (2) Codeine ingredients. The following ingredients may be used only in combination in accordance with §290.2 and 21 CFR 1308.15(c).
      (i) Codeine.
      (ii) Codeine phosphate.
      (iii) Codeine sulfate.
      (iv) Codeine hydrobromide.
   (3) Dextromethorphan.
   (4) Dextromethorphan hydrobromide.
   (5) Diphenhydramine citrate.
   (6) Diphenhydramine hydrochloride.
(b) Topical antitussives. (1) Camphor.
    (2) Menthol.


§ 341.16 Bronchodilator active ingredients.

The active ingredients of the product consist of any of the following when used within the dosage limits established for each ingredient:

(a) Ephedrine.
(b) Ephedrine hydrochloride.
(c) Ephedrine sulfate.
(d) Epinephrine.
(e) Epinephrine bitartrate.
(f) Racephedrine hydrochloride.
(g) Racepinephrine hydrochloride.

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§ 341.18 Expectorant active ingredient.

The active ingredient of the product is guaifenesin when used within the dosage limits established in §341.78(d).

[54 FR 8509, Feb. 28, 1989]

§ 341.20 Nasal decongestant active ingredients.

The active ingredient of the product consists of any of the following when used within the dosage limits and in the dosage forms established for each ingredient:

(a) Oral nasal decongestants. (1) Phenylephrine hydrochloride.
    (2) Pseudoephedrine hydrochloride.
    (3) Pseudoephedrine sulfate.
    (4) Phenylephrine bitartrate in an effervescent dosage form.
(b) Topical nasal decongestants. (1) Levmetamfetamine.
    (2) Ephedrine.
    (3) Ephedrine hydrochloride.
    (4) Ephedrine sulfate.
    (5) [Reserved]
    (6) Naphazoline hydrochloride.
    (7) Oxymetazoline hydrochloride.
    (8) Phenylephrine hydrochloride.
    (9) Propylhexedrine.
    (10) Xylocaine hydrochloride.


§ 341.40 Permitted combinations of active ingredients.

The following combinations are permitted provided each active ingredient is present within the dosage limits established in parts 341, 343, and 356 of this chapter and the product is labeled in accordance with §§341.70 or 341.85:
(a) Any single antihistamine active ingredient identified in §341.12 may be combined with any generally recognized as safe and effective single analgesic-antipyretic active ingredient, or any combination of acetaminophen with other analgesic-antipyretic active ingredients, or any aspirin and antacid combination provided that the product is labeled according to §341.85.

(b) Any single antihistamine active ingredient identified in §341.12 may be combined with any single oral nasal decongestant active ingredient identified in §341.20(a) provided that the product is labeled according to §341.85.

(c) Any single antihistamine active ingredient identified in §341.12 may be combined with any single oral decongestant active ingredient identified in §341.20(a) and any generally recognized as safe and effective single analgesic-antipyretic active ingredient, or any combination of acetaminophen with other analgesic-antipyretic active ingredients, or any aspirin and antacid combination provided that the product is labeled according to §341.85.

(d) Any single antihistamine active ingredient identified in §341.12(a) through (e) and (h) through (m) may be combined with any single oral antitussive active ingredient identified in §341.14(a)(1) through (a)(4) provided that the product is labeled according to §341.85(c)(4). Diphenhydramine citrate in §§341.12(f) and 341.14(a)(5) or diphenhydramine hydrochloride in §§341.12(g) and 341.14(a)(6) may be both the antihistamine and the antitussive active ingredient provided that the product is labeled according to §341.70(a).

(e) Any single antihistamine active ingredient identified in §341.12(a) through (e) and (h) through (m) may be combined with any single oral antitussive active ingredient identified in §341.14(a)(1) through (a)(4) and any generally recognized as safe and effective single analgesic-antipyretic active ingredient, or any combination of acetaminophen with other analgesic-antipyretic active ingredients, or any aspirin and antacid combination provided that the product is labeled according to §341.85.

(f) Any single antihistamine active ingredient identified in §341.12(a) through (e) and (h) through (m) may be combined with any single oral antitussive active ingredient identified in §341.14(a)(1) through (a)(4) and any generally recognized as safe and effective single analgesic-antipyretic active ingredient, or any combination of acetaminophen with other analgesic-antipyretic active ingredients, or any aspirin and antacid combination provided that the product is labeled according to §341.85(e)(4). Diphenhydramine citrate in §§341.12(f) and 341.14(a)(5) or diphenhydramine hydrochloride in §§341.12(g) and 341.14(a)(6) may be both the antihistamine and the antitussive active ingredient provided that the product is labeled according to §341.70(a).

(g) Any single antihistamine active ingredient identified in §341.12(a) through (e) and (h) through (m) may be combined with any single oral antitussive active ingredient identified in §341.14(a)(1) through (a)(4) and any single oral nasal decongestant active ingredient identified in §341.20(a) and any generally recognized as safe and effective single analgesic-antipyretic active ingredient, or any combination of acetaminophen with other analgesic-antipyretic active ingredients, or any aspirin and antacid combination provided that the product is labeled according to §341.85.

(h) Any single oral antitussive active ingredient identified in §341.14(a)(1) through (a)(4) may be combined with any single expectorant active ingredient identified in §341.18 provided that the product is labeled according to §341.85.

(i) Any single oral antitussive active ingredient identified in §341.14(a)(1) through (a)(4) may be combined with any single expectorant active ingredient identified in §341.18 provided that the product is labeled according to §341.85.
(j) Any single oral antitussive active ingredient identified in §341.14(a)(1) through (a)(4) may be combined with any single oral nasal decongestant active ingredient identified in §341.20(a) and any single expectorant active ingredient identified in §341.18 provided that the product is labeled according to §341.85.

(k) Any single antitussive active ingredient identified in §341.14(a) or (b)(2) may be combined with any generally recognized as safe and effective single oral anesthetic/analgesic active ingredient, or any combination of anesthetic/analgesic active ingredients provided that the product is available in either a liquid (to be swallowed) or a solid dosage form (to be dissolved in the mouth and swallowed) and provided that the product is labeled according to §341.85. If the combination contains a topical antitussive, the product must be formulated in a solid dosage form to be dissolved in the mouth. Menthol in §341.14(b)(2) and part 356 of this chapter may be both the antitussive and the anesthetic/analgesic active ingredient provided that the product is labeled according to §341.70(b).

(l) Any single oral antitussive active ingredient identified in §341.14(a) may be combined with any generally recognized as safe and effective single analgesic-antipyretic active ingredient, or any combination of acetaminophen with other analgesic-antipyretic active ingredients, or any aspirin and antacid combination provided that the product is labeled according to §341.85.

(m) Any single oral antitussive active ingredient identified in §341.14(a) may be combined with any single oral nasal decongestant active ingredient identified in §341.20(a) and any generally recognized as safe and effective single analgesic-antipyretic active ingredient, or any combination of acetaminophen with other analgesic-antipyretic active ingredients, or any aspirin and antacid combination provided that the product is labeled according to §341.85.

(n) Any single oral antitussive active ingredient identified in §341.14(a)(1) through (a)(4) may be combined with any single oral nasal decongestant active ingredient identified in §341.20(a) and any single expectorant active ingredient identified in §341.18 and any generally recognized as safe and effective single analgesic-antipyretic active ingredient, or any combination of acetaminophen with other analgesic-antipyretic active ingredients, or any aspirin and antacid combination provided that the product is labeled according to §341.85.

(o) Any single expectorant active ingredient identified in §341.18 may be combined with any generally recognized as safe and effective single analgesic-antipyretic active ingredient, or any combination of acetaminophen with other analgesic-antipyretic active ingredients, or any aspirin and antacid combination provided that the product is labeled according to §341.85.

(p) Any single expectorant active ingredient identified in §341.18 may be combined with any single oral nasal decongestant active ingredient identified in §341.20(a) provided that the product is labeled according to §341.85.

(q) Any single expectorant active ingredient identified in §341.18 may be combined with any single oral nasal decongestant active ingredient identified in §341.20(a) and any generally recognized as safe and effective single analgesic-antipyretic active ingredient, or any combination of acetaminophen with other analgesic-antipyretic active ingredients, or any aspirin and antacid combination provided that the product is labeled according to §341.85.

(r) Any single oral nasal decongestant active ingredient identified in §341.20(a) may be combined with any generally recognized as safe and effective single analgesic-antipyretic active ingredient, or any combination of acetaminophen with other analgesic-antipyretic active ingredients, or any aspirin and antacid combination provided that the product is labeled according to §341.85.

(s) Any single oral nasal decongestant active ingredient identified in §341.20(a) may be combined with any generally recognized as safe and effective single oral anesthetic/analgesic active ingredient identified, or any combination of anesthetic/analgesic active ingredients provided that the product is available in either a liquid (to be swallowed) or a solid dosage form (to
be dissolved in the mouth and swallowed) and provided that the product is labeled according to §341.85.

(t) Any single oral nasal decongestant active ingredient identified in §341.20(a) may be combined with any single antitussive active ingredient identified in §341.14(a) or (b)(2) and any generally recognized as safe and effective single oral anesthetic/analgesic active ingredient, or any combination of anesthetic/analgesic active ingredients provided that the product is available in either a liquid (to be swallowed) or a solid dosage form (to be dissolved in the mouth and swallowed) and provided that the product is labeled according to §341.85. If the combination contains a topical antitussive, the product must be formulated in a solid dosage form to be dissolved in the mouth.

(u) Camphor identified in §341.14(b)(1) may be combined with menthol identified in §341.14(b)(2) and eucalyptus oil (1.2 to 1.3 percent) provided that the product is available only in a suitable ointment vehicle and provided that the product is labeled according to §341.85.

(v) Levmetamfetamine identified in §341.20(b)(1) may be combined with aromatics (camphor (54 milligrams (mg)), menthol (80 mg), methyl salicylate (11 mg), and lavender oil (4 mg)) provided that the product is available only as a nasal inhaler and provided that the product is labeled according to §341.85.

(w) Any single antitussive active ingredient identified in §341.14(a) or (b)(2) may be combined with any generally recognized as safe and effective single oral demulcent active ingredient or any combination of anesthetic/analgesic active ingredients and any generally recognized as safe and effective single oral demulcent active ingredient provided that the product is available in either a liquid (to be swallowed) or a solid dosage form (to be dissolved in the mouth and swallowed) and provided that the product is labeled according to §341.85. If the combination contains a topical antitussive, the product must be formulated in a solid dosage form to be dissolved in the mouth.

(x) Any single oral nasal decongestant active ingredient identified in §341.20(a) may be combined with any generally recognized as safe and effective single oral demulcent active ingredient provided that the product is available in either a liquid (to be swallowed) or a solid dosage form (to be dissolved in the mouth and swallowed) and provided that the product is labeled according to §341.85.

(y) Any single antitussive active ingredient identified in §341.14(a) or (b)(2) may be combined with any single oral nasal decongestant active ingredient identified in §341.20(a) and any generally recognized as safe and effective single oral demulcent active ingredient provided that the product is available in either a liquid (to be swallowed) or a solid dosage form (to be dissolved in the mouth and swallowed) and provided that the product is labeled according to §341.85. If the combination contains a topical antitussive, the product must be formulated in a solid dosage form to be dissolved in the mouth.

(aa) Any single antitussive active ingredient identified in §341.14(a) or (b)(2) may be combined with any generally recognized as safe and effective single oral anesthetic/analgesic active ingredient or any combination of anesthetic/analgesic active ingredients and any generally recognized as safe and effective single oral demulcent active ingredient provided that the product is available in either a liquid (to be swallowed) or a solid dosage form (to be dissolved in the mouth and swallowed) and provided that the product is labeled according to §341.85.

(bb) Any single antitussive active ingredient identified in §341.14(a) or (b)(2) may be combined with any single oral nasal decongestant active ingredient identified in §341.20(a) and any generally recognized as safe and effective single oral anesthetic/analgesic active
ingredient identified or any combination of anesthetic/analgesic active ingredients and any generally recognized as safe and effective single oral demulcent active ingredient provided that the product is available in either a liquid (to be swallowed) or a solid dosage form (to be dissolved in the mouth and swallowed) and provided that the product is labeled according to §341.85. If the combination contains a topical antitussive, the product must be formulated in a solid dosage form to be dissolved in the mouth.

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Subpart C—Labeling

§ 341.70 Labeling of OTC drug products containing ingredients that are used for treating concurrent symptoms (in either a single-ingredient or combination drug product).

The statements of identity, indications, warnings, and directions for use, respectively, applicable to each ingredient in the product may be combined to eliminate duplicative words or phrases so that the resulting information is clear and understandable.

(a) For products containing diphenhydramine citrate and diphenhydramine hydrochloride identified in §341.14(a)(5) and (a)(6). The labeling of the product contains the established name of the drug, if any, and identifies the product as an “antihistamine/cough suppressant” or “antihistamine/antitussive (cough suppressant).” The indications shall be combined from §§341.74(b) and part 356 of this chapter. The warnings shall be combined from §§341.74(c)(1), (c)(2), and (c)(3) and part 356 of this chapter. The directions shall be: “Directions [in bold type] [bullet]1 adults and children 2 years and over: dissolve lozenge slowly in the mouth. Repeat every 2 hours as needed or as directed by a doctor. [bullet] children under 2 years of age: ask a doctor”.


§ 341.72 Labeling of antihistamine drug products.

(a) Statement of identity. The labeling of the product contains the established name of the drug, if any, and identifies the product as an “antihistamine.”

(b) Indications. The labeling of the product states, under the heading “Indications,” any of the phrases listed in paragraph (b) of this section, as appropriate. Other truthful and nonmisleading statements, describing only the indications for use that have been established and listed in this paragraph, may also be used, as provided in §330.1(c)(2) of this chapter, subject to the provisions of section 502 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the act) relating to misbranding and the prohibition in section 301(d) of the act against the introduction or delivery for introduction into interstate commerce of unapproved new drugs in violation of section 505(a) of the act.

(1) “Temporarily” (select one of the following: “relieves,” “alleviates,” “decreases,” “reduces,” or “dries”) “runny nose and” (select one of the following: “relieves,” “alleviates,” “decreases,” or “reduces”) “sneezing, itching of the nose or throat, and itchy, watery eyes due to hay fever” (which may be followed by one or both of the following: “or other upper respiratory allergies” or “(allergic rhinitis)”).

(2) “For the temporary relief of runny nose, sneezing, itching of the nose or throat, and itchy, watery eyes due to hay fever” (which may be followed by one or both of the following:

1 See §201.66(b)(4) of this chapter for definition of bullet symbol.