

## [Trimethoprim](#)

Essential medicine status

Section:

[6. Anti-infective medicines 6.2. Antibacterials 6.2.1. Access group antibiotics](#)

ATC codes: [J01EA01](#)

EMLc

Indication

Infectious cystitis ICD11 code: [GC80.1](#)

INN

Trimethoprim

Medicine type

Diagnostic agent

Antibiotic groups

[ACCESS](#)

List type

Core

Formulations

**Oral > Liquid:** 50 mg per mL (EMLc)

**Oral > Solid:** 100 mg ; 200 mg

EML status history

First added in 1987 ([TRS 770](#))

Changed in 1995 ([TRS 867](#))

Changed in 1997 ([TRS 882](#))

Changed in 2003 ([TRS 920](#))

Changed in 2007 ([TRS 950](#))

Removed in 2017 ([TRS 1006](#))

Added in 2021 ([TRS 1035](#))

Sex

All

Age

Also recommended for children

Therapeutic alternatives

The recommendation is for this specific medicine

Patent information

Patents have expired in most jurisdictions

Read more [about patents](#).

Wikipedia

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Expert Committee recommendation

Following a review of square box listings on the Model Lists, the Expert Committee recommended that trimethoprim be included on the core list of the EML and EMLc as an independent listing as first choice treatment for lower urinary tract infections. The note indicating trimethoprim as an alternative for lower urinary tract infections was removed from the listing for sulfamethoxazole + trimethoprim.

EML recommendations: Infectious cystitis

First choice

Second choice

First choice

[trimethoprim](#)

[nitrofurantoin](#)

[sulfamethoxazole + trimethoprim](#)

[amoxicillin + clavulanic acid](#)

Second choice