

[Cefazolin](#)

Not recommended as an essential medicine

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ATC codes: [J01DB04](#)

EMLc

Indication

Surgical site infection ICD11 code: [NE81.2Z](#)

INN

Cefazolin

Medicine type

Chemical agent

Antibiotic groups

[ACCESS](#)

List type

Core

Additional notes

*also indicated for surgical prophylaxis.

Formulations

Parenteral > General injections > unspecified: 1 g in vial (as sodium salt) powder for injection

EML status history

First added in 2007 ([TRS 946](#))

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

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

Removed in 2019 ([TRS 1021](#))

Sex

All

Age

Also recommended for children

Age restriction

> 1 month

Therapeutic alternatives

The recommendation is for this specific medicine

Patent information

Patents have expired in most jurisdictions

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Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations



As part of a review of antibacterials for use in surgical prophylaxis in 2019, the listing of cefazolin was reviewed and new recommendations made for its use. Refer to the 2019 recommendation(s) for cefazolin for more information.