Cefazolin

NOT RECOMMENDED AS AN ESSENTIAL MEDICINE

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EMLc | ATC codes: J01DB04

Indication	Surgical site infection ICD11 code: NE81.2Z
INN	Cefazolin
Medicine type	Chemical agent
Antibiotic groups	A 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 Read more about patents.
Wikipedia	Cefazolin
DrugBank	Cefazolin

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.

