METHOXYFLURANE (Penthane) (C)
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<th>TYPE: Volatile inhalation anaesthetic and analgesic agent [S4]</th>
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<td>PRESENTATION: 3ml bottle</td>
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| ACTION: Central nervous system depressant  
Onset: 3 – 5 mins. Offset: 3 – 5 mins. |
| USE: | ICP For relief of pain of all origins | AP |
| ADVERSE EFFECTS: 1. Altered consciousness  
2. Renal dysfunction (rare with once only ambulance use)  
3. Jaundice (rare with once only ambulance use)  
4. Uterine atonia |
| CONTRA-INDICATIONS: 1. Depressed level of consciousness  
2. Known hypersensitivity  
3. Malignant hyperthermia |
| PRECAUTIONS: 1. Renal disease  
2. Diabetes  
3. Tetracycline or barbiturate use  
4. Caution if patient unable to self-administer  
5. Use in the post-delivery phase of labour, and with post-partum haemorrhage (may induce uterine atonia) |

DOSE:

ADULT and PAEDIATRIC:

| ICP | Up to 3ml – self administered via Penthrox inhaler.  
Repeat once if required.  
Dose should not exceed 6ml/day or 15ml/week.  
(If used during labour, discontinue use post-delivery, and if PPH is suspected) | AP |