

## Rifampicin

<b>Form:</b>	600mg vial and 10ml diluent (Rifadin®)
<b>Reconstitution:</b>	Use diluent provided. Swirl the vial gently until powder is completely dissolved.
<b>Administration Method:</b>	<b><u>IV infusion</u></b> Dilute required volume of reconstituted solution with 500ml of compatible infusion fluid and administer over 2 - 3 hours. Infusion must be completed within 6 hours.
<b>Extravasation</b>	Avoid extravasation during injection; local irritation and inflammation due to extravascular infiltration of the infusion have been observed. If these occur, the infusion should be discontinued and restarted at another site.
<b>Compatibility &amp; Stability:</b>	Sodium Chloride 0.9% Glucose 5%
<b>Special Notes:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Will colour all secretions orange/red.</li> <li>• Rifampicin has excellent oral bioavailability. Consider IV to PO switch if appropriate. See CUH Antimicrobial Guidelines or NCHD.ie for further information.</li> </ul>

**Information provided relates to Rifadin® manufactured by Sanofi Aventis.**

*This information has been summarised to act as a guide for those administering IV medication. The monograph should be used in conjunction with the drug data sheet and BNF for information on dose, adverse effects, cautions and contra-indications. Further information is available from Pharmacy on 22146 or 22542*