

## DRUG ALERT

### CLASS 3 MEDICINES RECALL

Action Within 5 Days

Pharmacy and Wholesaler Level

Dear Healthcare Professional

**Martindale Pharma, an Ethypharm Group Company**

**Methadone 5mg Tablets / Physeptone 5mg Tablets** **PL 01883/0062**

Batch Number	Expiry Date	Pack Size	First Distributed
128319	09/2025	1 x50 tablets	May 2021

Active Pharmaceutical Ingredient: methadone hydrochloride

#### **Brief description of the problem**

Martindale Pharma is recalling the above batch of Methadone 5mg tablets as a precautionary measure due to the discolouration of the PVdC film in a small number of blister pockets.

#### **Advice for healthcare professionals**

Stop supplying the above batches immediately. Quarantine all remaining stock and return it to your supplier using your supplier's approved process.

#### **Further Information**

For more information please contact:

Customer Services for stock control enquiries: [Licensed@ethypharm.com](mailto:Licensed@ethypharm.com)

or for Medical Information enquiries: [medinfo@martindalepharma.co.uk](mailto:medinfo@martindalepharma.co.uk)



Recipients of this Medicines Recall should bring it to the attention of relevant contacts by copy of this notice.

RQIA should bring this information to the attention of private hospitals/clinics registered with them and any other relevant care facilities.

The Business Services Organisation is asked to bring this information to the attention of Community Pharmacists and General Medical Practitioners directly.

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**TO ALL CHEMISTS, DOCTORS ON THE LISTS**

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