

## CL438: Phenoxyethanol

### CAS#: 122-99-6

#### Patient Information

Your patch test result indicates that you have a contact allergy to phenoxyethanol. This contact allergy may cause your skin to react when it is exposed to this substance although it may take several days for the symptoms to appear. Typical symptoms include redness, swelling, itching, and fluid-filled blisters.

#### Where is phenoxyethanol found?

Phenoxyethanol is found in dermatological products such as skin creams and sunscreens. It is also found in perfumes, insect repellents, antiseptics, dyes, inks, in preservatives and medications.

#### How can you avoid contact with phenoxyethanol?

Avoid products that list any of the following names in the ingredients:

- 1-Hydroxy-2-phenoxyethane
- 2-Fenoxyethanol
- 2-Fenoxyethanol [Czech]
- 2-Hydroxyethyl phenyl ether
- 2-Phenoxyethanol
- 2-Phenoxyethyl alcohol
- 4-06-00-00571 (Beilstein Handbook Reference)
- A13-007520C
- Arosol
- BRN 1364011
- Dowanol EP
- Dowanol EPH
- EGMPE
- EINECS 204-589-7
- Emeressence 1160
- Emery 6705
- Ethanol, 2-phenoxy-
- Ethylene glycol monophenyl ether
- Ethylene glycol phenyl ether
- Fenyl-cellosolve
- Fenyl-cellosolve [Czech]
- Fenylcelosolv
- Fenylcelosolv [Czech]
- Glycol monophenyl ether
- HSDB 5595

- NSC 1864
- Phenoxyethol
- Phenoxytol
- Phenoxyethanol
- Phenoxyethyl alcohol
- Phenoxytol
- Phenyl cellosolve
- Phenylmonoglycol ether
- Plastiazan-41
- Plastiazan-41 [Russian]
- Rose ether
- beta-Hydroxyethyl phenyl ether

#### What are some products that may contain phenoxyethanol?

- Cleansers
- Cloths
- Cosmetics
- Hair Care
  - Hair Dyes
  - Shampoos
- Liquids/Creams/Lotions
- Pet Care
- Shaving Products

\*For additional information about products that might contain **phenoxyethanol**, go to the Household Product Database online ([householdproducts.nlm.nih.gov](http://householdproducts.nlm.nih.gov)) at the United States National Library of Medicine. These lists are brief and provide just a few examples. They are not comprehensive. Product formulations also change frequently. Read product labels carefully and talk to your doctor if you have any questions. These are general guidelines. Talk to your doctor for more specific instructions.