

Ritalin

(methylphenidate)

LEGAL STATUS:

Prescription-only medicine

CLASS B without a prescription

Worth knowing...

- Ritalin is widely used for the treatment of Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) in children
- See DrugScope Ritalin briefing at www.drugscope.org.uk/uploads/projects/documents/Ritalin.pdf

OTHER NAMES/SLANG:

Ritalin is a brand name for methylphenidate.

USUALLY FOUND AS:

Tablets or powder.

HOW IT'S TAKEN:

Swallowed as a tablet, crushed and snorted, or injected.

SIGNS OF POSSIBLE USE:

White or pale blue tablets, powder and equipment for injecting – syringes, needles, etc.

EFFECTS ON USER:

Alertness, energy and increased self-confidence, nervousness, insomnia, decreased appetite, dizziness, drowsiness and headache.



Actual size

