

# Loratadine (Lorafix) is unavailable



## Loratadine is out of stock

Recent batches of Lorafix have been rejected because of an issue with tablet hardness.

New batches will need to be made and this will take 2 to 3 months.

## We're sorry

We understand that changing medicines can be inconvenient.

Pharmac and medicine suppliers work hard to stop supply issues affecting people, but unfortunately we have been unable to avoid this one.

## New prescription needed

We are advised that cetirizine may be a suitable alternative.

You will need to talk to the person who prescribed the loratadine to discuss the best option for you.

You will also need a new prescription for a different medicine.

## More information

Find more information about this issue on our website.

[www.pharmac.govt.nz/loratadine](http://www.pharmac.govt.nz/loratadine)

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- Go to [www.zero.govt.nz](http://www.zero.govt.nz)
- Select Pharmac
- Browse the site without using any mobile data.

## About Pharmac

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We also have a role in making sure medicines are available.