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SYSTANE® FREE, the Minimal Blur Liquid Gel



SYSTANE® FREE Lubricant Eye Drops is a **structured gel** in the bottle that contains the active demulcents polyethylene glycol 400 (PEG) and propylene glycol (PG), and no traditional preservatives. (Original SYSTANE® is a solution in the bottle preserved with POLYQUAD® and formulated at a pH of 7.0.)

SYSTANE® FREE contains a novel system of proprietary ingredients including four that help form its gel structure and maintain its preservation:

- AMP1 (a pH adjuster)
- Sorbitol (a sugar)
- Borate (buffer)
- Zinc (ion)

It is the combination of these ingredients that produce a low viscosity droppable gel and unique, ionic buffering preservation system.^{1, 2, 3}

SYSTANE® FREE is NOT designed to replace SYSTANE® or SYSTANE® Preservative Free. SYSTANE® FREE is another option for those patients who need the additional protection of a gel. Patients who are sensitive to preservatives and want the convenience of a multi-dose bottle can also benefit from SYSTANE® FREE. SYSTANE® FREE joins the comprehensive family of SYSTANE® Lubricant Eye Drops, offering patients one more way to combat the irritable symptoms of dry eye.

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[†] Aminomethyl propanol.
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