

ACETAMINOPHEN - Proper Dosing of Liquids and Tablets

- Children's acetaminophen can be taken as liquid or chewable tablet.
- If your child is under 2 months old, check with your health care provider before giving your child acetaminophen.
- To give the correct dose, you will need to know your child's weight.
- You also need to know how much acetaminophen is in a tablet, teaspoon (tsp), or 5 milliliters (mL) of the product you are using. You can read the label to find out.
 - For chewable tablets, the label will tell you how many milligrams (mg) are found in each tablet, such as 80 mg per tablet.
 - For liquids, the label will tell you how many mg are found in 1 tsp or in 5 mL, such as 160 mg/1 tsp or 160 mg/5 mL.
 - For syrups, you will need some type of dosing syringe. It may come with the medicine, or you can ask your pharmacist. Make sure to clean it out after each use.

ACETAMINOPHEN DOSING INFORMATION for CHILDREN	6-11 lbs.	12-17 lbs.	18-23 lbs.	24-35lbs.	36-47lbs. 4-5 years old	48-59 lbs. 6-8 years old	60-71lbs. 9-10 years old	72 to 95 lbs. 11 years old	96 lbs. or more 12 years old
Syrup 160mg/5mL/1tsp	1.25 mL or ¼ tsp.	2.5 mL or ½ tsp.	3.75 mL or ¾ tsp.	5mL or 1 tsp.	7.5 mL or 1 ½ tsp.	10 mL or 2 tsp.	12.5 mL or 2 ½ tsp.	15 mL or 3 tsp.	20 mL or 4 tsp.
Chewable Tablet 80 mg	_____	_____	_____	2 tablets	3 tablets	4 tablets	5 tablets	6 tablets	8 tablets
Chewable Tablet 160 mg	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	2 ½ tablets	3 tablets	4 tablets

Repeat dosing every 4 to 6 hours.

DO NOT GIVE your child more than 5 doses in 24 hours.

ACETAMINOPHEN – Proper dosing of suppositories**Do not give to infants less than 6 months old**

- If your child is vomiting or will not take oral medicine, you can use suppositories. Suppositories are placed in the anus to deliver medicine.
- You can use suppositories in children older than 6 months. Always check with your health care provider before giving any medicine to children under 2 years old.
- This medicine is given every 4 to 6 hours.

ACETAMINOPHEN SUPPOSITORY DOSING INFORMATION						
AGE	Younger than 6 months	12-18 lbs	18-36 lbs	36-45 lbs	46-95 lbs	Over 95 lbs
Infant suppositories 80 mg	Do not use	1 suppository every 6 hours (no more than 4 doses in 24 hours)				
Children's suppositories 120 mg	Do not use		1 suppository every 4-6 hours (no more than 5 doses in 24 hours)	2 suppositories every 4-6 hours (no more than 5 doses in 24 hours)		
Junior strength suppositories 325 mg	Do not use				1 suppository every 4-6 hours (no more than 5 doses in 24 hours)	2 suppositories every 4-6 hours (no more than 6 doses in 24 hours)

Giving Medicine to Children - Make sure you do not give your child more than one medicine that contains acetaminophen as an ingredient. For example, acetaminophen can be found in many cold remedies. Read the label before giving any medicine to children. You should not give medicine with more than one active ingredient to children under age 6.

IBUPROFEN DOSING INFORMATION

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Concentrated Infants Drops. 50 mg/1.25mL	_____	1.25mL	1.875mL	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Children's Suspension Syrup 100mg/5mL	_____	_____	_____	1 tsp or 5 mL	1 ½ tsp or 7.5 mL	2 tsp or 10 mL	2 ½ tsp or 12.5 mL	3 tsp or 15 mL	4 tsp or 20 mL
Jr. Strength Chewable Tablet 100 mg	_____	_____	_____	1 tablet	1 ½ tablets	2 tablets	2 ½ tablets	3 tablets	4 tablets
Jr. Strength Easy Swallow Caplet 100 mg	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	2 caplets	2 ½ caplets	3 caplets	4 caplets

Take every 6-8 hours as needed. **DO NOT GIVE** your child more than 4 doses in 24 hours.

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