

Acetaminophen dosage chart



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Recommended Dosages

Note: The proper dosage for your child is based on weight, not age. If you don't know how much your child weighs, and he's too young to stand on a scale himself, weigh yourself while holding him, and then weigh yourself alone. Subtract your weight from the combined weight to get his current weight.

<p>Your child's weight: 6 to 11 lbs Dose: 40 mg Infant drops: ½ dropper (0.4 ml)</p>	<p>Your child's weight: 12 to 17 lbs Dose: 80 mg Infant drops: 1 dropper (0.8 ml) Children's liquid: ½ tsp</p>	<p>Your child's weight: 18 to 23 lbs Dose: 120 mg Infant drops: 1½ droppers (1.2 ml) Children's liquid: ¾ tsp Children's chews or meltaways: 1 1/2</p>
<p>Your child's weight: 24 to 35 lbs Dose: 160 mg Infant drops: 2 droppers (1.6 ml) Children's liquid: 1 tsp Children's chews or meltaways: 2 Junior-strength chews or meltaways: 1</p>	<p>Your child's weight: 36 to 47 lbs Dose: 240 mg Infant drops: 3 droppers (2.4 ml) Children's liquid: 1 ½ tsp Children's chews or meltaways: 3 Junior-strength chews or meltaways: 1 ½</p>	<p>Your child's weight: 48 to 59 lbs Dose: 320 mg Children's liquid: 2 tsp Children's chews or meltaways: 4 Junior-strength chews or meltaways: 2</p>
<p>Your child's weight: 60 to 71 lbs Dose: 400 mg Children's liquid: 2 ½ tsp Children's chews or meltaways: 5 Junior-strength chews or meltaways: 2 1/2 Adult regular-strength tabs (325 mg): 1</p>	<p>Your child's weight: 72 to 95 lbs Dose: 480 mg Children's liquid: 3 tsp Children's chews or meltaways: 6 Junior-strength chews or meltaways: 3 Adult regular-strength tabs: 1 to 1 ½</p>	<p>Your child's weight: 96+ lbs Dose: 640 mg Children's liquid: 4 tsp Children's chews or meltaways: 8 Junior-strength chews or meltaways: 4 Adult regular-strength tabs: 2</p>

Active Ingredients

Infant drops: 80 mg/0.8 ml per dropper (shake well before using)
Children's liquid: 160 mg/5 ml per teaspoon (shake well before using)
Children's chews or meltaways: 80 mg each
Junior-strength chews or meltaways: 160 mg each
Adult regular-strength tablets: 325 mg each

5 Safety Tips for Acetaminophen

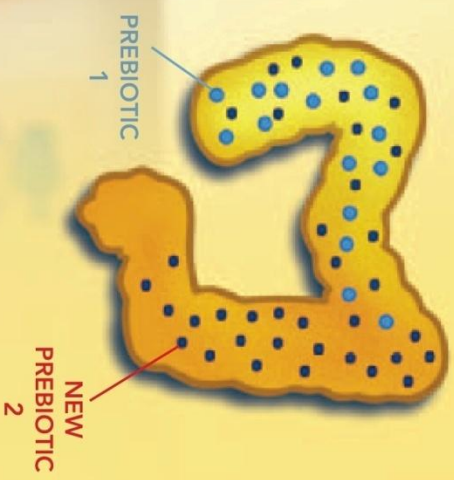
1. Don't give it to a baby under 3 months without a doctor's approval.
2. Always use the measuring device that comes with the medicine – not a spoon from the kitchen.
3. Never give it to a child who's taking other medicines unless directed by a doctor. The other medicine may also contain acetaminophen, creating a dangerous overdose.
4. Don't confuse infant drops with children's liquid. Infant drops are much more concentrated. Hint: Drops come with a dropper; children's liquid doesn't.
5. Don't exceed five doses in 24 hours.

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