

Acetaminophen dosage chart



Recommended Dosages

Important Note: Infant concentrated drops have been phased out but are safe to use if the dose is correct. They're three times as concentrated as the new infant liquid, so use caution: Know your baby's weight and follow the dosage chart. Find out how to tell the difference between the old and new medicine. [_____](#)

<p>Your child's weight: 6 to 11 lbs Dose: 40 mg Old Infant drops: ½ dropper (0.4 ml) New Infant liquid: 1.25 ml in syringe</p>	<p>Your child's weight: 12 to 17 lbs Dose: 80 mg Old infant drops: 1 dropper (0.8 ml) New infant liquid: 2.5 ml in syringe Children's liquid: ½ tsp (2.5 ml in cup)</p>	<p>Your child's weight: 18 to 23 lbs Dose: 120 mg Old infant drops: 1½ droppers (1.2 ml) New infant liquid: 3.75 ml in syringe Children's liquid: ¾ tsp (3.75 ml in cup) Children's chews or meltaways: 1 ½ Junior-strength chews or meltaways: ¾</p>
<p>Your child's weight: 24 to 35 lbs Dose: 160 mg Old infant drops: 2 droppers (1.6 ml) New infant liquid: 5 ml in syringe Children's liquid: 1 tsp (5 ml in cup) 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 Children's liquid: 1 ½ tsp (7.5 ml in cup) 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 (10 ml in cup) 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 (12.5 ml in cup) 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 (15 ml in cup) Children's chews or meltaways: 6 Junior-strength chews or meltaways: 3 Adult regular-strength tabs (325 mg): 1 to 1 ½</p>	<p>Your child's weight: 96+ lbs Dose: 640 mg Children's liquid: 4 tsp (20 ml in cup) Children's chews or meltaways: 8 Junior-strength chews or meltaways: 4 Adult regular-strength tabs (325 mg): 2</p>

Active Ingredients

Old infant drops: 80 mg/0.8 ml per dropper (shake well before using)
New infant liquid: 160 mg/5 ml per included syringe (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

Six Safety Tips for Acetaminophen

1. Don't give to a baby under 3 months without a doctor's approval.
2. Don't confuse infant drops with the new infant liquid. Infant drops are three times more concentrated. [_____](#)
3. Always use the measuring device that comes with the medicine.
4. The proper dosage is based on weight, not age. To determine the weight of a very young child, weigh yourself and then weigh yourself while holding your child. Then subtract your weight from the combined weight.
5. Never give acetaminophen to a child who's taking other medicines unless directed by a doctor. Other medicines may also contain acetaminophen, creating a dangerous overdose.
6. Don't exceed five doses in 24 hours.