

# Acetaminophen Dosage Chart, Pediatric

Check the label on your bottle for the amount and strength (*concentration*) of acetaminophen. Concentrated infant acetaminophen drops (80 mg per 0.8 mL) are no longer made or sold in the U.S. but are available in other countries, including Canada.

Repeat dosage every 4-6 hours as needed or as recommended by your child's health care provider. **Do not** give more than 5 doses in 24 hours. Make sure that you:

- **Do not** give more than one medicine containing acetaminophen at a same time.
- **Do not** give your child aspirin unless instructed to do so by your child's pediatrician or cardiologist.
- Use oral syringes or supplied medicine cup to measure liquid, not household teaspoons which can differ in size.

**Weight:** 6 to 23 lb (2.7 to 10.4 kg)

Ask your child's health care provider.

**Weight:** 24 to 35 lb (10.8 to 15.8 kg)

- **Infant Drops (80 mg per 0.8 mL dropper):** 2 droppers full.
- **Infant Suspension Liquid (160 mg per 5 mL):** 5 mL.
- **Children's Liquid or Elixir (160 mg per 5 mL):** 5 mL.
- **Children's Chewable or Meltaway Tablets (80 mg tablets):** 2 tablets.
- **Junior Strength Chewable or Meltaway Tablets (160 mg tablets):** Not recommended.

**Weight:** 36 to 47 lb (16.3 to 21.3 kg)

- **Infant Drops (80 mg per 0.8 mL dropper):** Not recommended.
- **Infant Suspension Liquid (160 mg per 5 mL):** Not recommended.
- **Children's Liquid or Elixir (160 mg per 5 mL):** 7.5 mL.
- **Children's Chewable or Meltaway Tablets (80 mg tablets):** 3 tablets.
- **Junior Strength Chewable or Meltaway Tablets (160 mg tablets):** Not recommended.

**Weight:** 48 to 59 lb (21.8 to 26.8 kg)

- **Infant Drops (80 mg per 0.8 mL dropper):** Not recommended.
- **Infant Suspension Liquid (160 mg per 5 mL):** Not recommended.
- **Children's Liquid or Elixir (160 mg per 5 mL):** 10 mL.
- **Children's Chewable or Meltaway Tablets (80 mg tablets):** 4 tablets.
- **Junior Strength Chewable or Meltaway Tablets (160 mg tablets):** 2 tablets.

**Weight:** 60 to 71 lb (27.2 to 32.2 kg)

- **Infant Drops (80 mg per 0.8 mL dropper):** Not recommended.
- **Infant Suspension Liquid (160 mg per 5 mL):** Not recommended.
- **Children's Liquid or Elixir (160 mg per 5 mL):** 12.5 mL.
- **Children's Chewable or Meltaway Tablets (80 mg tablets):** 5 tablets.
- **Junior Strength Chewable or Meltaway Tablets (160 mg tablets):** 2½ tablets.

**Weight:** 72 to 95 lb (32.7 to 43.1 kg)

- **Infant Drops (80 mg per 0.8 mL dropper):** Not recommended.
- **Infant Suspension Liquid (160 mg per 5 mL):** Not recommended.
- **Children's Liquid or Elixir (160 mg per 5 mL):** 15 mL.
- **Children's Chewable or Meltaway Tablets (80 mg tablets):** 6 tablets.
- **Junior Strength Chewable or Meltaway Tablets (160 mg tablets):** 3 tablets.

This information is not intended to replace advice given to you by your health care provider. Make sure you discuss any questions you have with your health care provider.