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Ibuprofen Dosage Chart

Ibuprofen can help reduce your child's fever and relieve pain. Ibuprofen, which is available as a store brand generic, also has brand names Motrin and Advil. It is an over-the-counter fever-reducer and pain-reliever. Ibuprofen dosing is based on weight and not age. The following chart can help determine the correct dose for your child based on your child's weight, but is no substitute for your doctor's advice, and you should always call the pediatrician if you have any questions. Ibuprofen is available in liquid, chewable and tablet forms. Chewables may be a choking hazard and are not recommended for children under 18 months.

Use the following tips to keep your child safe and avoid overdosing:

Give every six to eight hours as needed. Don't exceed four doses in 24 hours.

Don't give ibuprofen to babies under 6 months without calling your doctor first.

Always read the label first, since different medicines have different concentrations.

Always use the measuring device (dropper or measuring cup) that comes with the medication or you could risk overdosing. Never use droppers from different medications or spoons from the kitchen.

Remember to call the pediatrician for:

Babies under 3 months with a temperature of 100.4 F or higher

Babies 3 months and older with a temperature of 103 F or higher

If your child seems irritable, lethargic, dehydrated, or has any other symptoms that concern you.



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Child's Weight	Infant Drops (50 mg/ 1.25 ml)	Children's Suspension (100 mg/ 5ml)
12-17 lbs	1.25 ml (1 dropper)	1/2 teaspoon (2.5 ml)
18-22 lbs	1.875 ml (1 and 1/2 droppers)	3/4 teaspoon (3.75 ml)
23-35 lbs	2.5 ml (2 droppers)	1 teaspoon (5 ml)
36-47 lbs	Not Recommended	1 1/2 teaspoons (7.5 ml)
48-59 lbs	Not Recommended	2 teaspoons (10 ml)
60-71 lbs	Not Recommended	2 1/2 teaspoons (12.5 ml)
72-95 lbs	Not Recommended	3 teaspoons (15 ml)

Child's Weight	Chewable Tablet (50 mg)	Junior Strength Chewable Tablet (100mg)	Junior Strength Tablets (100 mg)
24-35 lbs	2 chewables	1 chewable	Not Recommended
36-47 lbs	3 chewables	Not Recommended	Not Recommended
48-59 lbs	4 chewables	2 chewables	2 tablets
60-71 lbs	5 chewables	Not Recommended	Not Recommended
72-95 lbs	6 chewables	3 chewables	3 tablets
Over 96 lbs	8 chewables	4 chewables	4 tablets