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* **Age of child:**Do not use acetaminophen under 12 weeks of age unless your pediatrician tells you to. This is because fever in the first 12 weeks of life should be recorded in a health care setting. If there is a [fever](https://www.healthychildren.org/English/health-issues/conditions/fever/Pages/Fever-and-Your-Baby.aspx), your baby will need to be checked to see what tests are needed. (Note: Fever may happen after a vaccine in a child 8 weeks of age or older. If this happens, please talk to your child’s doctor.)
* **Medicines with more than 1 ingredient (also called combination products):** It is best not to give medicines with more than one ingredient to children less than 6 years of age. Avoid multi-ingredient products in children under 6 years of age.
* **Measuring the dose for**[**liquid medicines**](https://www.healthychildren.org/English/safety-prevention/at-home/medication-safety/Pages/Using-Liquid-Medicines.aspx)**(should be in "mL" or metric units):**It is easier to give the right amount of liquid medicine when using a syringe than when using a kitchen teaspoon or tablespoon. Use the syringe or tool that comes with the medicine. If a tool does not come with the medicine, ask your pharmacist for one.
* **How often to give the medicine (frequency):** You can give acetaminophen every 4 to 6 hours as needed. Do not give more than 4 doses in 24 hours.
* **Oral disintegrating tablets:** These are dissolvable tablets that come in 80 mg and 160 mg (junior strength)
* **Suppositories (medicine that is put in the rectum, or butt):**Acetaminophen also comes in 80, 120, 325 and 650 mg suppositories. The amount to give each time is the same as the amount to give by mouth.
* **Extended-release:**Do not give 650 mg oral extended-release products in children.