



**Children's Acetaminophen Dosage Chart
(Tylenol® OR Tempra®)**

If your child is 2 months or younger and has a fever, please call us at (210) 877-5600 for medical advice.

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Acetaminophen is one of the most common drugs given to children – and one of the hardest to give correctly, because it's sold in many forms. This chart can help you get the right dosage, bearing in mind these important points:

- Never give acetaminophen to a baby under the age of 3 months without talking to your doctor first.
- Acetaminophen starts taking effect within 45 to 60 minutes and should last four hours.
- Age is a rough guide, but the proper dosage for your child is based on weight, not age.
- Read the label. It's easy to get confused by the different forms and concentrations of acetaminophen available. You don't want to confuse teaspoons with tablespoons, or give a baby the same type of medicine you'd give a toddler.
- Use the measuring device that comes with the medicine, whether it's a dropper or a measuring cup. Don't use the kitchen teaspoon.
- Never give your child acetaminophen along with another medication unless directed by his doctor. If you do, you might mistakenly give him more than one dose. Overdoses are common and can be dangerous.
- Don't exceed five doses in a 24-hour period.

Age	Drops 0.8 ml droppers	Elixer 160 mg/ 5 ml	Chewables 80 mg tabs	Jr. Tabs 160 mg tabs	Adult 325 mg tabs
4-11 mos. 12-17 lbs.	1 dropper	½ tsp	1 tab		
12-23 mos. 18-23 lbs.	1 ½ dropper	¾ tsp	1 ½ tab		
2-3 yrs. 24-35 lbs.	2 droppers	1 tsp	2 tabs		
4-5 yrs. 36-47 lbs.		1 ½ tsp	3 tabs		
6-8 yrs. 48-59 lbs.		2 tsp	4 tabs	2 tabs	1 tab
9-10 yrs. 60-71 lbs.		2 ½ tsp	5 tabs	2 ½ tabs	1 tab
11 yrs. 72-95 lbs.		3 tsp	6 tabs	3 tabs	1 ½ tab
12 yrs + 96 lbs. +				4 tabs	2 tabs

Weight:	Milligram Dosage	Infant Drops 80mg/0.8ml	Children's liquid 160mg/5ml	Children's soft chews 80mg each	Junior strength Caps or chews 160mg each
11-16 lbs	80mg	1 dropper (.8ml)	½ tsp (2.5ml)	N/A	N/A
17-21 lbs	120mg	1 ½ droppers (1.2ml)	¾ tsp (3.75ml)	N/A	N/A

22-26 lbs	160mg	2 droppers (1.6ml)	1 tsp (5ml)	2 tablets	1 tablet
27-32 lbs	200mg	2 ½ dropper (2ml)	1 ¼ tsp (6.25ml)	2 ½ tablets	
33-37 lbs	240mg	3 droppers (2.4ml)	1 ½ tsp (7.5ml)	3 tablets	1 ½ tablet
38-42 lbs	280mg	3 ½ droppers (2.8ml)	1 ¾ tsp (8.75ml)	3 ½ tablets	
43-53 lbs	320mg	4 droppers (3.2ml)	2 tsp (10ml)	4 tablets	2 tablets
54-64 lbs	400mg	Use Liquid	2 ½ tsp(12.5ml)	5 tablets	2 ½ tablets
65-75 lbs	480mg		3 tsp (15ml)	6 tablets	3 tablets
76-86 lbs	560mg		3 ½ tsp (17.5ml)	7 tablets	3 ½ tablets
87-95 lbs	640mg		4 tsp (20ml)	8 tablets	4 tablets
>95 lbs		Give	Adult	Dosage	

Giving your child the right dose of medicine is just as important as the type of medicine you give them. Don't forget:

- Know/Verify your child's weight & age.
- Read the package label carefully.
- Always use the dropper, dosage cup, or other measuring device that comes with the medicine.

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