

# ACETAMINOPHEN SAFE USE

## Why it's important

- Acetaminophen is a medication used for relieving pain and reducing fever. When taken as directed it is a safe and effective medication. **Taking more than 4000 mg in a day could harm your liver.** (Limit daily dose to 3000 mg if you are older than 65 years of age).
- Acetaminophen is an active ingredient in **more than 600** over-the-counter and prescription medications.
- It's important to **always read and follow your medication labels.**
- Take **ONLY 1** medicine at a time that contains acetaminophen and **NEVER** take more than the recommended dose unless directed by a healthcare professional.

## Read your medication labels

**On a prescription medication, look for the word "acetaminophen" or "APAP".**

**On an over-the-counter medication, look for the word "acetaminophen" under "active ingredients".**

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#123456 Dr. Jane Smith May cause drowsiness. Alcohol may intensify this effect. USE CARE when Operating heaving machinery.  
 John Doe 1/2/15

TAKE 1 TABLET EVERY 4-6 HOURS AS NEEDED  
 BULTALB/APAP/CAF  
 50 MG/325 MG/40 MG

This medication contains **ACETAMINOPHEN**  
 Do not take with any other medicines (prescription or non-Prescription) that contain **ACETAMINOPHEN**.  
 If you are not sure ask your doctor or pharmacist.

Prescription	Prescription Generic	Over-the-counter		
Vicodin ® , Lorcet ®, Lortab ®, Maxidone ®, Norco ®	Hydrocodone, acetaminophen	Alka-Seltzer Plus ®	Goody's ® Powder	St. Joseph ® HBP
Percocet ®, Endocet ®, Roxicent ®	Oxycodone, acetaminophen	Corcidin ®	Midol ®	SUDAFED ®
Tylenol ® with codeine (Tylenol ® #2 or #3)	Codeine, acetaminophen	Contac ®	Mucinex ®	Theraflu ®
Fioricet ®	Butalbital, acetaminophen, caffeine	Dimetapp ®	DayQuil ® /NyQuil ®	TYLENOL ®
Ultracet ®	Tramadol hydrochloride, acetaminophen	Dristan ®	Pamprin ®	Triaminic ®
		Excedrin ®	Robitussin ®	Store brands