

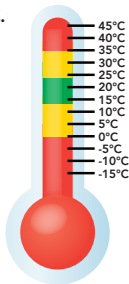
RECOMMENDED STORAGE GUIDELINES FOR ABBOTT NUTRITION PRODUCTS

RECOMMENDED STORAGE TEMPERATURES FOR SEALED CONTAINERS†

Ready-to-use or concentrated liquid

- Most desirable: **between 13°C and 24°C.**
- Acceptable: between 0°C and 35°C.
- **Do not freeze.**

Prolonged exposure to temperatures below 0°C or to direct heat above 35°C could affect the physical consistency of the product and consequently could also affect its appearance, flavour, and other sensory attributes. Product is sterile and should remain of sound nutritional quality.



Powder

- Store in dry, cool area.
- Do not refrigerate.

GUIDELINES FOR PREPARING AND STORING FORMULA

Human Milk Fortifiers

See individual product pages for storage information on Similac® Human Milk Fortifier Special Care® 30 (with iron), Similac® Human Milk Fortifier, and LiquiProtein™.

Ready to use

Cans and bottles: after opening, cover, refrigerate, and use within 48 hours.

945-mL reclosable plastic bottle: re-cap, refrigerate, and use within 72 hours.

Concentrated Liquid

- Open can (undiluted): cover, refrigerate, and use within 48 hours.
- Prepare as per label instructions.
- Pour into individual feeding bottles or cups, cover, and store in refrigerator.
- Use prepared formula within 48 hours.

Powder

- Prepare as per label instructions.
- Pour into individual feeding bottles or cups, cover, and store in refrigerator.
- Use within 24 hours.
- Cover opened container after each use.
- **Use product within 1 month of opening container.**

If ready-to-use, undiluted or prepared formula is left at room temperature, it should be used within 2 hours.¹

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GUIDELINES FOR PREPARING AND STORING FORMULA (continued)

If product is consumed directly or by straw from can or bottle:‡

Infant formula

- Dispose of any product remaining in the bottle within **1 hour** from beginning of feed (first time baby's mouth comes into contact with nipple).
- Do not reuse 59-mL (2-oz) plastic bottles.

PediaSure® products and Similac® Mom (adult nutritional product)

- Use or refrigerate within 1 hour.
- If refrigerated, use product within 24 hours.

HANG TIME FOR ABBOTT NUTRITION INFANT AND PEDIATRIC PRODUCTS

Ready to use (commercially sterile)

- 4-8 hours when carefully poured from bottle/can into an enteral-feeding setup.^{2‡}

Reconstituted products

Includes: Concentrated liquid, powder, any formula to which a modular component has been added, or human milk that has been fortified.

- Prepare using aseptic technique.
- Hang for no more than 4 hours.²

Each health care facility is responsible for developing/ following procedures for using safe techniques in the preparation and use of tube feedings and in setting quality assurance protocols for monitoring those techniques.

EXPIRATION DATES

- To assure the highest quality, use the formula by the date shown on the product.
- The vitamin content and the physical stability of the product cannot be guaranteed beyond the expiry date because both may degrade with time.

WARNINGS

- **Never use a microwave oven to warm formula;** serious burns can result.
- Abbott Nutrition products are not intended for parenteral use.

† For highest quality product.

‡ This practice exposes the product to significant amounts of bacteria.

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