

Diskus[™] Inhalers



Select your medication and dose:

☐ Advair 100/50mcg [™] (Fluticasone/Salmeterol) [purple inhaler with dose in green]
□ Advair 250/50mcg [™] (Fluticasone/Salmeterol) [purple inhaler with dose in yellow]
□ Advair 500/50mcg [™] (Fluticasone/Salmeterol) [purple inhaler with dose in red]
□ Serevent 50mcg [™] (Salmeterol) [green inhaler]

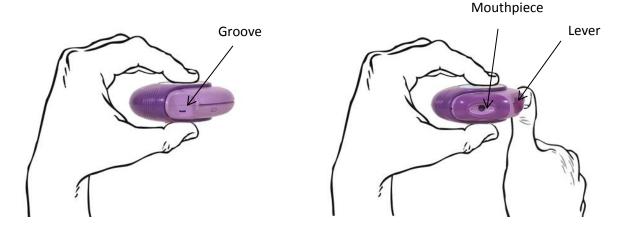
This guide will teach you how to use your inhaler.

Follow these steps before you use your inhaler for the first time:

- 1. Open the box and remove the inhaler from the packet.
- 2. On the space provided on the inhaler's label, write today's date. Below that, write the date for 4 weeks in the future for Advair™ or 6 weeks in the future for Serevent™. The inhaler must be thrown out after 4 weeks for Advair™ or 6 weeks for Serevent™ once opened.
- 3. Notice the small number to the right of the sticker you just wrote on. This will show you how many doses remain.
- 4. Open the inhaler by holding it your left hand like a sandwich, as shown in the picture on the next page. Hold tightly.
- 5. Place your thumb in the groove and push away until it clicks. Notice the mouthpiece and the lever.
- 6. Now the inhaler is open and ready for you to take your dose. You should still be holding the inhaler like a sandwich.

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When you are ready to take a dose, please follow these instructions:

- 1. Make sure that the counter does not say "0." If it does, your inhaler is empty. Throw it away and get a new one.
- 2. Breathe out releasing as much air from your lungs as you can. Never blow out into the inhaler.
- 3. Push the lever backward with your thumb.
- 4. Put the mouthpiece into your mouth and breathe in through your mouth **quickly and deeply**.
- 5. Take the inhaler out of your mouth.
- 6. Hold your breath for 5-10 seconds.
- 7. Breathe out, away from the inhaler mouthpiece. You are now done taking your dose.
- 8. Close the inhaler using the thumb groove. DO NOT touch the lever again today. Closing the inhaler will get it ready for the next dose.
- 9. Rinse your mouth with water and spit to prevent infection in your mouth.

Important Notes:

- You do not need to clean your inhaler. If you wish to clean it, wipe the outside of the mouthpiece with a dry tissue.
- Never get your inhaler wet. Store your inhaler in a cool, dry, and dark place, such as a
 drawer in your bedroom or kitchen; do NOT store your inhaler in the bathroom. Keep
 away from children and pets.

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