Usual Adult Dose for Cough

Immediate-release: 10 to 20 mg orally every 4 hours or 30 mg orally ever 6 to 8 hours

Extended-release: 60 mg orally every 12 hours

Maximum dose: 120 mg in 24 hours

Use: For the temporary relief of cough due to minor throat and bronchial irritation as may occur with the common cold or inhaled irritants.

Usual Pediatric Dose for Cough

Under 4 years: Not recommended

4 to 6 years:

Immediate-release: 2.5 to 5 mg orally every 4 hours or 7.5 mg orally every 6 to 8 hours

Extended-release: 15 mg orally every 12 hours

Maximum dose: 30 mg in 24 hours

6 to 12 years:

Immediate-release: 5 to 10 mg orally every 4 hours or 15 mg orally every 6 to 8 hours

Extended-release: 30 mg every 12 hours Maximum dose: 60 mg in 24 hours

12 years or older:

Immediate-release: 10 to 20 mg orally every 4 hours or 30 mg orally ever 6 to 8 hours

Extended-release: 60 mg orally every 12 hours

Maximum dose: 120 mg in 24 hours

Comments:

-To prevent and reduce the misuse of cough and cold products in children, over the counter (OTC) cough and cold products are labeled "Do not use in children under 4 years of age".

Use: For the temporary relief of cough due to minor throat and bronchial irritation as may occur with the common cold or inhaled irritants.