

Tylenol Regular Strength (acetaminophen) basics

Relieves pain and fever. Tylenol Regular Strength (acetaminophen) effectively reduces fever and relieves pain, but it doesn't lower inflammation and swelling.

What to expect when starting

Here's when people typically experience benefits as well as some possible side effects. Your experience may be different.

	Hours	Days	Weeks	Months	Long term
Tylenol Regular Strength (acetaminophen) Drug effectiveness					
Possible side effects†					
Stomach pain					
Liver damage					
Nausea					

† Data on frequency of side effects is not available.

Tips from pharmacists

- Tylenol Regular Strength (acetaminophen) starts working within one hour.
- Taking too much of Tylenol Regular Strength (acetaminophen) can cause liver failure and death. Don't take more than what's recommended on the package insert.
- Acetaminophen is found in many over-the-counter and prescription products. Make sure the total amount of acetaminophen you take does not exceed 3,000 mg per day and check with your pharmacist to make sure you're not taking too much.
- Follow age-specific dosing instructions on how much to take.
- Let your doctor know if your symptoms don't improve in a few days.

Risks and warnings

The FDA has identified these as possible serious or life-threatening risks with this medication. Contact your doctor if you experience any of these.

Accidental overdose and death

The injectable version of Tylenol Regular Strength (acetaminophen) that's given in hospitals has to be prepared very carefully to prevent an overdose. In case of accidental overdose, get medical help or contact a Poison Control Center right away. Quick medical attention is crucial for both adults and children, even if you do not notice any signs or symptoms. Keep all medicines safe and away from children.

Liver damage

Taking too much acetaminophen causes liver damage that can be permanent and life-threatening. Signs of liver problems may include dark urine, feeling tired, upset stomach or stomach pain, or yellow skin or eyes. If you notice any of these symptoms, call your doctor immediately. Avoid drinking alcohol when taking Tylenol Regular Strength (acetaminophen). Avoid using Tylenol Regular Strength (acetaminophen) if you have existing liver problems since it can cause further damage.