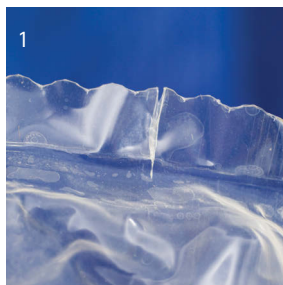


EXCEL[®] Container

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EXCEL containers are available in 250 mL (24 per case), 500 mL (24 per case) and 1000 mL (12 per case). The containers are packaged in the overwrap.



REMOVING THE OVERWRAP

Step 1: Start a tear at any of the depressions on the notched edge. **Step 2:** Tear the overwrap by running your index finger through the seam of the overwrap.



SCANNING

Hold the container by the hanger tab and scan at a 45°-90° degree angle, 2"-6" from the container. Or, hang the container on an IV pole and scan at a 45°-90° degree angle, 2"-6" from the container. Do not squeeze the container in the middle while attempting to scan.

MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION

Step 3: Prior to adding medications, swab the injection port. Allow to air dry (EXCEL's medication port is not made with natural rubber latex).

Step 4: Support the base of the medication port, fully insert needle and inject medication through the center of injection site keeping fingers behind the flange. Mix thoroughly by inverting container several times.

SPIKING THE CONTAINER

Step 5: Remove the set port cover by lifting the ring with the thumb and forefinger and pulling off.

Step 6: Hold the finger guard of the set port between the thumb and forefinger. Twist and push the spike straight through the set port diaphragm.

Or, cradle EXCEL in the forearm with the hanger at the elbow and hold the finger guard between thumb and forefinger and insert the spike straight into the set port diaphragm. If positioning the container in your left arm, turn the container label down so the spike port is next to the left thumb and forefinger. If positioning the container in your right arm, turn the bad label up so the spike port is next to the right thumb and forefinger.



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SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS

- Do not stack individual cases more than 5 high
- Do not mix containers sizes in a stack (all one liter, all half liter, etc.)
- Avoid rough handling; do not toss cases while loading and unloading
- Ensure cases are stacked squarely on top of each other
- Avoid freezing and excessive heat
- Maintain upright orientation of cases



MOISTURE IN THE OVERWRAP

Inside the overwrap, all bags could exhibit some moisture, either due to the nature of the polymer and/or due to fresh condensation from the sterilization process. Up to 1 inch (3 mL) of solution is acceptable.



STACKING EXCEL IN BINS

When stacking loose containers in a bin, do not stack more than 5 containers high.

REMOVING AIR

- Insert an 18-22 gauge needle of appropriate length (at least 5/8 inch) through the medication port until the bevel of the needle just penetrates the medication port and inner diaphragm.
- Tilt container slightly to elevate fluid and remove as much air as possible by squeezing container continuously.
- Maintain pressure and remove needle immediately to prevent air backflow into the container.

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