

Cleaning Injection Equipment

Are you faced with the challenge of sharing needles and syringes due to a lack of new, unused ones? Your safety matters, and there are steps you can take to minimize the risks associated with needle-sharing. Make sure you are always cleaning the needles and syringes with bleach and water immediately after use and just before using them again. Please read and follow the important guidelines below every time to reduce the risk of infection:

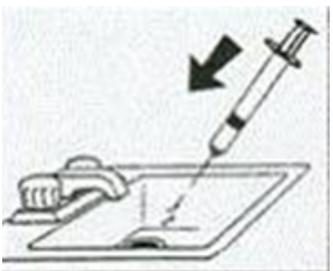
Part One



Pour clean water into a cup, cap or something that only you will use.



Fill the syringe by drawing the water up through the needle to the top of the syringe.

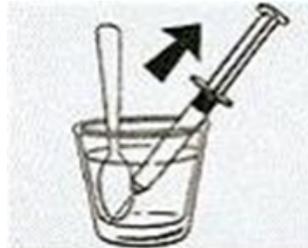


Shake it around and tap it to loosen the blood.
Squirt out the water and repeat at least three times (do not reuse the water).

Part Two



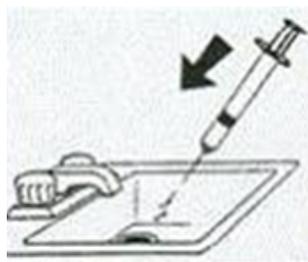
Pour some undiluted (full-strength, no water added) bleach into a cup, cap or something that only you will use.



Fill the syringe by drawing the bleach up through the needle to the top of the syringe.



Shake it around and tap it. Leave the bleach in the syringe for at least 30 seconds.



Squirt out the bleach and repeat at least three times (do not reuse bleach).

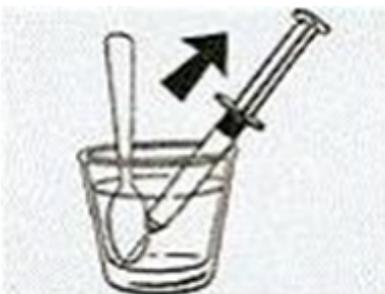
Part Three



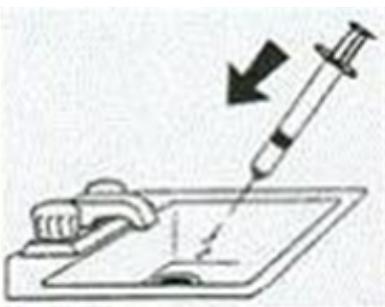
Pour new clean water into a cup, cap or something that only you will use. Don't use the water from part one.



Shake it around and tap it for at least 30 seconds.



Fill the syringe with water, to rinse out the bleach. Fill the syringe by drawing the water up through the needle to the top of the syringe.



Squirt out the water and repeat three times (do not reuse water).

Tips:

- You can make the cleaning work better by taking the syringe apart, removing the plunger from the barrel and soaking the parts in bleach for at least 30 seconds.
- Never shoot or drink the bleach.
- If the cooker (spoon) must be reused, soak it in bleach for at least 30 seconds and then rinse it with clean water.
- Since bleach gets weaker when it is exposed to light, store all bleach for cleaning needles and works in a container that does not let light pass through.