

What is a Fentanyl Test Strip?

A small strip initially designed to check for fentanyl and analogues in urine that can be used to detect fentanyl in drugs before using.



DanceSafe brand strips are yellow.



Assuretech strips (Rapid Response and other brands) are blue.

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Diluting Your Drugs

Chocolate Chip Cookie Effect

Fentanyl can clump up or be dispersed irregularly throughout a baggy or pill, like chocolate chips in a cookie! This means that a sample of the dose might not represent the actual fentanyl present in the entire product.



FOR PHARMACEUTICAL PILLS

Counterfeit pharmaceutical tablets that contain fentanyl kill thousands of people every year. They can look exactly like the real ones, and there is no way to know whether illicitly-purchased pharmaceuticals contain fentanyl without testing them first.

- 1 Crush the entire tablet into a fine powder.
- 2 Pour the powder into a small cup.
- 3 Add approximately 4 tablespoons or a quarter cup of water.
- 4 Stir the mixture well. (Binder material may not completely dissolve. That's ok.) Proceed to STEP 2.



Unless you have your own prescription, always test pharmaceutical pills. As of 2022, opioids like Oxycodone and Vicodin are the ones most likely to be counterfeit and contain fentanyl.

FOR IV DRUG USERS

If you inject heroin or other drugs, you should test every time you inject. The easiest method is to test the residue from your spoon or cooker.

- 1 After preparing your shot, set the needle aside and wait to inject.

FOR BLOTTER LSD

- 1 Cut off a small corner of the blotter.



- 2 Soak it in a teaspoon of water for 10 minutes. Proceed to STEP 2.

FOR PRESSED MDMA ("ECSTASY") TABLETS

- 1 Use the same steps above for testing pharmaceutical pills.

WARNING: Only the DanceSafe-branded yellow fentanyl test strips work on pressed ecstasy tablets. The older, blue strips will give false positives.

FOR CRYSTALS OR POWDERED DRUGS**

- 1 Weigh your drugs. Use a milligram scale to get the weight of the crystals or powder you are going to test. Write it down so you don't forget. If you don't have a milligram scale, you can use one of our 10 mg micro scoops.

A level scoop of finely crushed powder (not rounded) is approximately ten milligrams (available at dancesafe.org/product/micro-scoop).

- 2 Place your drugs into a small container. If you are testing 50 mg or less, a standard bottle cap from any 20 oz soda bottle works great. If you are testing more than 50 mg, use a small glass or ceramic cup.

- 3 Add one teaspoon of water (5 ml) for every 50 mg of powder.

1 tsp Water 50 mg Powder

This equals five level micro scoops (50 mg total) into a standard bottle cap of water (one teaspoon or 5 ml).



You can also use a 5 ml pipette to measure the water (available at dancesafe.org/product/pipette). Whatever you use to measure, make sure the ratio of powder to water is 10 mg / ml.

20 mg into 2 ml 100 mg into 10 ml
50 mg into 5 ml 1 gram into 100 ml

- 4 Stir the mixture until completely dissolved. Proceed to STEP 2.

WARNING: If you have the older, blue strips they can give false positives with meth, MDMA and methadone, as well as cocaine that contains levamisole or lidocaine.

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Using the Strips

After following Step 1 to dilute your drugs, it's time to use the strips.

- 1 Hold the yellow end of the test strip and insert the other end into the liquid, no higher than the top of the dotted section.
- 2 Allow the liquid to travel up the strip into the test area. This should take about 15 seconds.
- 3 Remove the strip and set it down on a flat surface. The results should appear within three minutes. Proceed to STEP 3.



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Reading the Results

One red line on top is a **POSITIVE** result for the presence of fentanyl.

Two red lines is a **NEGATIVE** result. The lower red line may be significantly lighter than the upper red line. If you can see it at all, no matter how faint, it is still a negative result.

No red lines (or one red line on the bottom) means the test is invalid. Usually this happens because the liquid did not travel far enough up the test strip.

1 RED LINE = POSITIVE FOR FENTANYL



2 RED LINES = NEGATIVE FOR FENTANYL



Do not insert above dotted section

Capillary action pulls the liquid into the test area

IMPORTANT: Use a bright light. If the lower line appears at all, even if it is very faint, it is still a negative result.

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