

Ask your NICU health care professional to fill out this form for you to ensure that you have the proper mixing instructions.

Trust **Similac® NeoSure®** to support excellent “catch-up growth*” during your baby’s first year of life.

Why does my premature baby need a special enriched formula?

- Babies born too early miss out on the transfer of many important nutrients from their mother
- In the hospital, your premature baby is fed a formula that contains higher amounts of protein, vitamins, minerals and calories than standard term formulas
- Even after hospital discharge your premature or low-birth-weight baby has special nutritional needs

How will Similac NeoSure help my premature baby?

- DHA and ARA, special nutrients found in breast milk that are important for an infant’s brain and eye development
- Higher levels of protein, vitamins and minerals than standard formulas for greater weight gain and growth*
- Extra energy for growth
- Extra calcium and phosphorus to help support bone development



American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists states that: “small, preterm neonates may benefit from the use of such formulas for up to 9 months after hospital discharge.”

Guidelines for Perinatal Care, 6th ed.

Washington, DC: American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists; 2007.



Specially formulated for babies who were born prematurely

IMPORTANT:

- Be sure to use scoop provided in can
- Prepared formula not used immediately should be poured into feeding bottles, capped and stored in refrigerator; use within 24 hours
- Store unopened cans at room temperature
- Do not store at extreme temperatures
- Use opened can contents within 1 month

WARNING: Never use a microwave oven to prepare or warm formula. Serious burns could result.

Baby’s Name _____

Date _____

Refer to the back of this page for preparation of various caloric concentrations

Directions for Preparation and Use[†]

1. Ask your baby’s doctor if you need to boil (sterilize) water for formula and bottle preparations.
2. Wash your hands and utensils. Pour _____ fl oz of warm water into bottles. Add _____ unpacked level scoops of Similac® NeoSure® Powder, using only the scoop provided in the can, to make _____ Cal/fl oz formula.

OR

Wash your hands and utensils. Pour _____ fl oz of warm water into container. Add _____ of Similac NeoSure Powder to make _____ Cal/fl oz formula.

3. Attach nipples and rings; shake very well; test temperature; and feed. Once feeding begins, use within 1 hour or discard bottle.

For mixing instructions—see reverse side.

Signature (Health Care Professional) _____

* Compared to term formula. Carver JD, Wu PY, Hall RT, et al: Growth of preterm infants fed nutrient-enriched or term formula after hospital discharge. *Pediatrics* 2001;107:683-689.

[†] To be completed by health care professional.

Preparation of Powdered **Similac® NeoSure®** Infant Formula at Various Caloric Concentrations

Caloric Concentration [‡]	Water (fl oz)	Scoops [§] of NeoSure Powder	Approximate Yield (fl oz)
20 Cal/fl oz	4.5	2	5
22 Cal/fl oz (standard mixture)	2	1	2
24 Cal/fl oz	5.5	3	6
27 Cal/fl oz	8	5	9

[‡] The use of hypo- and hypercaloric formulas should be directed by a physician. 27 Cal/fl oz or greater formula may not supply enough water for some infants. Hydration status should be monitored and water supplied from other sources if necessary.

NOTE: For improved tolerance, it is best to increase by 2 to 4 Cal/fl oz increments.

[§] Use scoop provided in can.

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WIC^{||} eligible in all 50 states