Safe Preparation of Infant Formula



Formula Types

Powdered: Mix with clean water following label instructions.

Liquid Concentrate: Mix with an equal amount of clean water.

Ready-to-Feed: Do not add water.

How to Mix Powdered Formula

- 1. Clean countertops and wash your hands.
- 2. Measure and add clean water.
- 3. Measure and add formula powder.
- 4. Shake the capped bottle to mix.
- 5. Test the temperature.



Ways to Warm a Baby Bottle

- Run a capped bottle under warm water.
- Use a bottle warmer.
- Place a capped bottle in a mug of warm water.
- Never use a microwave to heat a bottle: This can create hot spots and lead to burns.

Remember: Your baby can drink formula cold, but may prefer it warmed—every baby has their own preferences.

How to Check Formula Temperature

- Invert the bottle to fill the nipple.
- Shake or tap a few drops onto the inside of your wrist.
- Liquid should feel warm, not hot.

Have more questions on formula feeding? Talk to your child's doctor.

How Long to Keep a Bottle of Prepared Formula

- On the countertop:
 Use within 2 hours.
- In the fridge:
 Use within 24 hours.
- Once your baby starts feeding:
 Use within 1 hour.
 - Discard any leftover formula after feeding.

