



Surefuser™ +

Patient Guide

The lightweight,
mobile infuser that
won't interfere with
your lifestyle.



What is the Surefuser™+?

The Surefuser™+ is an elastomeric infusion pump designed to deliver drugs over a specific period of time. It allows you to have your treatment at home, so you can continue your treatment without a hospital stay.

Once the Surefuser™+ is filled with medication and connected to your catheter/port, it will immediately begin delivering medication. The elastomeric 'balloon' inside the device constantly pushes medication through your IV tubing as it deflates, and continues until the Surefuser™+ is empty or disconnected. You will see the elastomeric balloon shrinking over the course of your treatment – infusion treatment is complete when the balloon is completely deflated.

Treatment Process

The Surefuser™+ will be filled with a medication that has been prescribed specifically for you, and connected to your catheter/port. Your caregiver or nurse will then change your Surefuser™+ at a specified interval, or your nurse may instruct you on how to change the Surefuser™+ yourself.



The Surefuser™+ is a lightweight, discrete device so you can go about your daily activities with confidence.



Surefuser™+

simple and easy to use

Your Surefuser™+ infusion device has a few key components that make it simple and easy to use:

Infusion Scale

The infusion scale gives an estimate of your infusion progress

Luer Connector

This connects the Surefuser™+ to your line

Infusion Line

Your medication flows through this tubing

Balloon Reservoir

The balloon reservoir holds your medication – as it constricts, it pushes your medication out gently through the infusion line

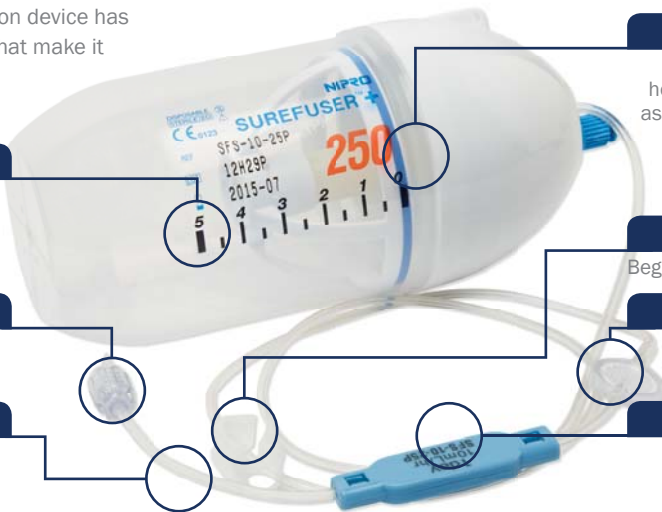
Clamps

Begins/Halts your infusion

Integrated Filter

Flow Regulator

The flow regulator ensures that your medication is infusing at the correct rate



Using your Surefuser™+

Ideal conditions for your Surefuser™+ infusion treatment:



Temperature:

- Ensure the Luer Lock Connector and Flow Regulator are taped to your skin at all times, as the flow regulator is most accurate when calibrated to skin temperature
- Ensure the Surefuser™+ remains at room temperature
- Do not expose the device to extreme heat or cold, and do not submerge



Position:

Ensure the top of the device is as close as possible to the same level as your catheter/port.



Sleeping:

For effectiveness, the Surefuser™+ needs to remain at approximately the same level as your catheter/port and must remain close to room temperature. It can be placed under your pillow (on its side), or on a bedside table.



Bathing:

Surefuser™+ should not be submerged or exposed to a direct stream of water. If you shower, contain your Surefuser™+ in a plastic bag to keep it dry, and either hang it up outside the shower, or place it on a flat surface outside the bath/shower. If you normally have a bath, do not fully submerge your body under the water. Contain your Surefuser™+ in a plastic bag, and place it on a chair at the side of the bath to keep it dry. If you have a CVC line, ensure that it is not covered by the water. If you have a PICC line, you will need to cover this area with cling film or a plastic bag to keep it dry.

Frequently Asked Questions

What are the benefits of using a Nipro Surefuser™+?

The Surefuser+™ is adaptable to your lifestyle and your treatment. It allows you to have your infusion therapy at home, so you can continue your treatment without an overnight hospital stay.

What are the risks of using a Nipro Surefuser™+?

Occasionally, the Surefuser+™ may stop working or may infuse at a faster rate than anticipated. If these problems do occur, you should contact your hospital or pharmacy for advice.

How do I carry my Surefuser™+?

You will receive a discreet, zippered carry bag which looks a little like a drink-bottle pouch, designed specifically to hold your Surefuser+™. The Luer Lock Connector on your Surefuser+™ should always be taped to your skin at approximately the same level as the top of the Surefuser+™ in order to maintain accurate flow rate.

How do I change my infuser?

Please do not attempt to change your infuser, unless you have been instructed by your healthcare professional.



More Frequently Asked Questions

Are there alternatives to home infusion?

Yes, you can have your treatment in hospital, where your medication will be delivered via drip over several days.

Can I exercise whilst my Surefuser™+ is active?

Yes, you can exercise whilst conducting Surefuser™+ infusion therapy providing your Surefuser™+ remains at room temperature and is not submerged in water.

Can I go about normal daily activities while my Surefuser™+ is active?

Yes, you can go about normal daily activities whilst conducting Surefuser™+ infusion therapy, providing the Surefuser™+ remains at room temperature and is not submerged in water.

Can I travel on a plane while my Surefuser™+ is active?

Yes, it is safe to travel on planes that have pressurised cabins.



If your doctor has prescribed a Surefuser™+ for you, this guide can be used for general information. If you have any questions regarding the contents of these pages or the Surefuser™+, please contact your Nurse, Physician or Pharmacist.



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