

Medications to Avoid Prior to Surgery

Medications on this list should be discontinued 2 weeks prior to surgery and only acetaminophen products, such as Tylenol, should be taken for pain. If you are taking a blood thinner, talk to your prescribing physician about discontinuing this medication a minimum of 5 days prior to your surgery. All other medications including prescriptions, over-the-counter and herbal supplements should be specifically cleared by your doctor prior to surgery. Due to constant changes in pharmacology this list may become outdated; therefore it is absolutely necessary that all of your current medications be cleared by your primary care doctor and/or the pre-operative nursing staff.

If you are taking any of the following drugs or supplements, these must be discontinued prior to surgery:

Coumadin	Heparin	Aleve	Plavix	Aspirin
Fish Oil or Krill Oil	COQ10	Vitamin E	Multi-Vitamin	St. John's Wort

These are aspirin and ibuprofen medications that should be avoided as they affect blood clotting:

4-way cold tabs	Duragesic	Naprosyn products
5-Aminosalicylic Acid	Easpirin	Olsalazine
Acetisalicylic Acid	Ecotrin products	Orphengesic products
Actron	Empirin products	Orudis products
Advil products	Equagesic	Pabalate products
Aleve	Etodolac	P-A-C
Anacin products	Excedrin products	Pain Reliever Tabs
Anexsia w/codeine	Florgen PF	Panasal
Artha-G	Flurbiprofen	Pentasa
Arthritis pain products	Gelpirin	Pepto-Bismal
Arthropan	Genprin	Percodan products
Aspirin	Gensan	Phenaphen/Codeine #3
Asacoi	Goody's products	Pradaxa
Ascription products	Halfprin products	Piroxicam
Aspergum	Ibuprofen	Propoxyphene products
Asprimax products	Indomethacin products	Rhinocaps
Axotia	Isollyl Improved	Rowasa
Azdone	Kaodene	Roxeprin
Azulfideine products	Lanorinal	Saleto products
B-A-C	Ibuprohm	Salsalate
Backache Maximum Strength Relief	Lodine	Sine-Aid products
Bayer products	Lortab ASA	Scot-Tussin Original
BC Powder	Magan	Sine-Off
Bismatrol products	Magnaprim products	Sinutab
Buffered Aspirin	Magnesium Salicylate	Sodium Salicylate
Butal/ASA/Caff	Magsal	Sodol compound
Cataflam	Marnal	Soma compound
Cheracol	Marthritic	Sulfasalazine
Choline Magnesium Trisalicylate	Mefenamic Acid	Supac
Celebrex	Meloxicam	Suprax
Coricidin	Meprobamate	Synalgos-DC
Cortisone Medications	Mesalamine	Toradol
Damason-P	Methocarbarnol	Triaminicin
Darvon Compound-65	Midol products	Triocosal
Darvon/ASA	Mobidin	Trilisate
Daypro	Mobigesic	Tussanil DH
Dimetapp Sinus	Momentum	Tussirex products
Disalcid	Motrin products	Vanquish
Doan's products	Naprox products	Willow Bark Products
Dristan	Naproxen	Xarelto (rivaroxaban)
	Norgesic products	Zorprin