

NICOTINE REPLACEMENT THERAPY

NICOTINE LOZENGE 2 MG, 4 MG

What does it do?

The lozenge releases nicotine to help decrease withdrawal symptoms. Try combining it with the nicotine patch for an even greater chance of staying quit.

How do I use it?

- Begin using the lozenge on your quit date.
- Let the lozenge dissolve in your mouth near your cheek and gum.
- Rotate the lozenge to different parts of the mouth. One lozenge lasts 20–30 minutes. A mini-lozenge lasts 10–15 minutes.
- Do not chew or swallow the lozenge.
- Avoid eating or drinking anything acidic 15 minutes before using the lozenge or during use. Food and drinks that are acidic, such as soda and coffee, can stop the lozenge from working.
- Use as needed throughout the day.
- Use up to 20 lozenges per day in the first week.
- Each week, self-assess and slowly decrease your use of lozenges over three to four months, or longer if needed. Talk with your healthcare provider about your goals for decreasing use.
- You can use sugar-free gum or candy to replace the lozenge.
- If you slip up and use tobacco, continue using the lozenge and try not to smoke or dip.

What are the possible side effects?

- May cause indigestion, upset stomach, nausea, hiccups, headache, mouth irritation, and difficulty sleeping. Proper lozenge use can help to avoid these side effects.
- If you have any intolerable side effects, stop using lozenges and contact your healthcare provider.

Use these tools for additional support!



Sign up for SmokefreeVET Text

Text **VET** to **47848** or go to [Smokefree.gov/vet](https://www.smokefree.gov/vet).



Call the Quitline

Speak with a Quit VET counselor Monday–Friday. Dial **1-855-QUIT-VET** (1-855-784-8838).

Using medication together with behavioral counseling gives you the best chance of quitting tobacco. Talk with your healthcare provider about the best medication for you.

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