



Oral liquids and oral syringes



Use oral (enteral) syringes to safeguard your patients to ensure the oral medicine is administered by the correct route.

The purple syringes are made especially to measure liquids and are colour-coded to reduce this risk of incorrect route of administration.

It is important to ensure **ORAL** liquid medicines are not drawn up into a syringe and administered accidentally via the **PARENTERAL** route. This may result in a catastrophic outcome and can be fatal.

Parenteral medicines must be:	Oral liquid medicines are:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sterile• Particle free• Non-irritant.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Not sterile• Contain particles (e.g. suspensions)• Acidic and irritant to the vein• Not equivalent dosing to parenteral.