# **Gravity feeding set**

Instructions for use and drip rate

This device is intended to dispense liquid nutrition (feeding solution) at a user controlled rate. (See opposite side for calculating drip rate.) These enteral gravity sets connect with a patient's feeding tube and use gravity to dispense feeding solution.



### How to Use

- 1. Open package and remove set from pouch
- 2. Close roller clamp completely
- 3. Fill bag with desired quantity of nutrient
- 4. Close bag by securing cap
- 5. Hang bag at desired level
- 6. Remove cap from purple ENFit® transition connector
- 7. Open roller clamp, allowing nutrient to fill entire length of tubing, expelling air
- 8. Close roller clamp and replace tip protector
- Connect feeding set to patient's enteral feeding tube. Confirm the set is connected to an enteral port and NOT an IV port
  - For feeding tubes without the ENFit connection system, use pre-attached purple ENFit transition connector
  - For feeding tubes with the ENFit connection system, remove and discard pre-attached purple transition connector from set and screw set clockwise into feeding tube. Avoid over tightening
- 10. Slowly open roller clamp to establish desired drip rate.
- 11. Discard set when feeding is complete, or at least every **24 hours**.

## **Ordering information**

Item No.	Description	Pkg.
ENFIT70503	1,000 mL gravity feeding bag	30/cs
ENFIT70503H	1,000 mL gravity feeding bag	1/ea



# **Gravity feeding drip rate chart**

Each 1 milliliter equals approximately 20 drops or 1 mL = 20 drops.\*

How fast your formula goes in	How many drops are needed:		How fast your formula goes in	How many drops are needed:	
over 1 hour (mL per hour)	in 1 minute	in 15 seconds	over 1 hour (mL per hour)	in 1 minute	in 15 seconds
25	8	2	140	47	12
30	10	3	145	48	12
35	12	3	150	50	13
40	13	3	155	52	13
45	15	4	160	53	13
50	17	4	165	55	14
55	18	5	170	57	14
60	20	5	175	58	15
65	22	5	180	60	15
70	23	6	185	62	15
75	25	6	190	63	16
80	27	7	195	65	16
85	28	7	200	67	17
90	30	8	205	68	17
95	32	8	210	70	18
100	33	8	215	72	18
105	35	9	220	73	18
110	37	9	225	75	19
115	38	10	230	77	19
120	40	10	235	78	20
125	42	10	240	80	20
130	43	11	245	82	20
135	45	11	250	83	21

\*Disclaimer: drops estimate can be altered based on thickness of formula so always test before use

### How we calculated drip rate

Rate: Amount of nutrient to be given in 1 hour. Measured in mL/hr

**Drops per milliliter:** Number of drops it takes to deliver 1 mL of nutrient using gravity feeding bag tubing. Approximately 20 drops per mL for Medline Gravity Feeding Sets.

**Drops per minute:** Number of drops you count per minute in the drip chamber.

Rate x (drops/mL) ÷ 60 minutes = drops per minute	For example—if you wanted 50 mL/hr:
(round up to nearest whole number)	50 mL/hr x 20 drops per mL= 1000
Divide number by 4 to determine drops/15 seconds	1000 ÷ 60 min/hr = ~17 drops/minute or ~4 drops/15 seconds