

Dosing details for Rifamate and Rifater

Rifamate

Rifamate is a fixed combination of 300 mg of RIF and 150 mg of INH. 2 capsules per day is recommended daily. If patient weighs enough (at least 30 kg for children/adolescents and 60 kg for adults) to be prescribed the maximum dosage of INH (300 mg) and RIF (600 mg). For twice weekly intermittent therapy, that standard dosage is 900 mg INH and 600 mg RIF. This can be achieved by prescribing 2 rifamate capsules and 2 INH 300 mg tablets at each DOT visit.

Rifater

Rifater is a fixed combination of 120 mg of RIF, 50 mg of INH, and 300 mg of PZA. The daily dose based on weight is as follows:

- ≤ 44 kg – 4 tablets per day
- 45-54 kg – 5 tablets per day
- ≥ 55 kg - 6 tablets per day

To obtain an adequate dose of PZA in patients weighing 90 kg or more, additional PZA tablets must be given. In this case, use of rifater provides little advantage.