

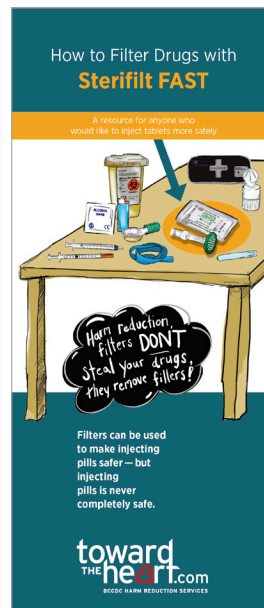
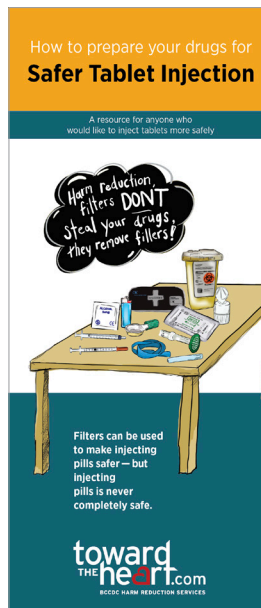
General Info

- Use Sterifilt FAST if you can: They filter out more fillers than cotton filters.
- Don't touch filters or put equipment on soiled surfaces to keep your supplies clean.
- Try to keep the cotton filter in the sterile package when opening the cooker so that it keeps clean.
- If the mixture is cloudy, it means there are fillers. You may need to filter again with new equipment.



Filters can be ordered by any harm reduction site in BC

Look for the other two brochures in this series:



To our loved ones, nearest and dearest who have died during a time when all overdose deaths are preventable.

- Find a harm reduction site or overdose prevention site: towardtheheart.com/site-finder
- Get more information on safer injection practices: towardtheheart.com/resource/safer-injection/open
- Watch videos on how to use filters: ow.ly/9PUA50CoBw0



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How to Filter Drugs Safely with Cotton Filter

(comes with cooker)

A resource for anyone who would like to inject tablets more safely



Filters can be used to make injecting pills safer — but injecting pills is never completely safe.



Equipment (new or sterile)



Alcohol swab



1cc or 0.5cc syringe with or without needle



Sterile water



Cooker



Tie (tourniquet)



Filter

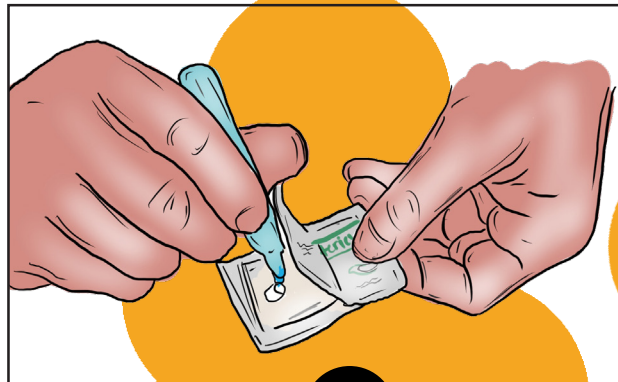


Something clean to crush your tablets or capsule beads with (e.g., pill crusher, spoons, paper, plunger end of rig)

Add a few more drops of sterile water to rinse cotton filters.

Preparation

- 1 Get dose ready in your cooker.
- 2 Leave the cotton filter in sterile packaging.
- 3 Add a few drops of sterile water to cotton filter while in packaging and drop into cooker.



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- 4 Pull on plunger to fill syringe.
- 5 Turn syringe upward and tap to remove any air bubbles.
- 6 Either recap the needle or leave filter in place until injection.
- 7 Get ready to inject.



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Throw away needles, cookers and filters in sharps container for safety.