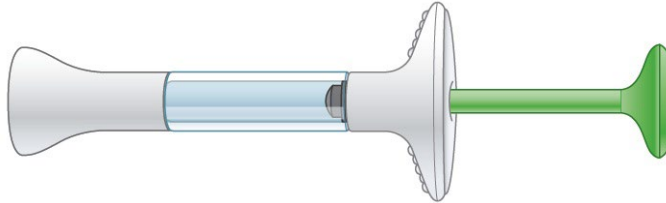


## Instructions for use

### Taltz 80 mg solution for injection in pre-filled syringe

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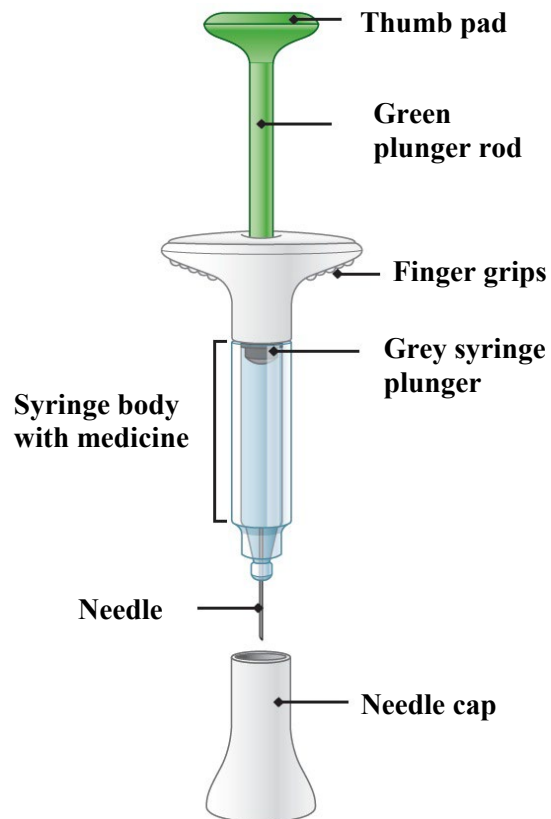
#### Important points to know

- Before you use the Taltz pre-filled syringe, read and carefully follow all the step-by-step instructions. Keep the Instructions for use and refer to them as needed.
- The pre-filled syringe contains 1 dose of Taltz. The syringe is for ONE-TIME USE ONLY.
- The syringe must not be shaken.
- Your doctor, pharmacist or nurse may help you decide where on your body to inject your dose.
- Read the Taltz Package Leaflet inside this box to learn more about your medicine.

#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

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## Guide to the parts



### 1 GET READY

- 1a** Take the syringe from the refrigerator. Leave the needle cap on the syringe until you are ready to inject. **Wait 30 minutes** to let the syringe warm to room temperature before you use it.

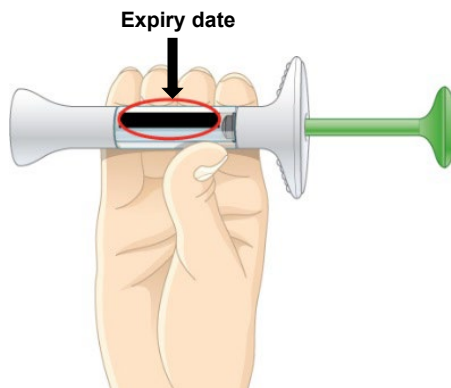


**DO NOT** use any heat sources to warm the medicine, for example: a microwave, hot water, or direct sunlight.

- 1b** Gather the supplies for your injection:

- 1 alcohol wipe
- 1 cotton ball or piece of gauze
- 1 sharps container for disposal of syringes

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**Inspect the pre-filled syringe for damage to the outside.** Leave the needle cap on the syringe until you are ready to inject. Check the label. Make sure the name Taltz appears on the label.

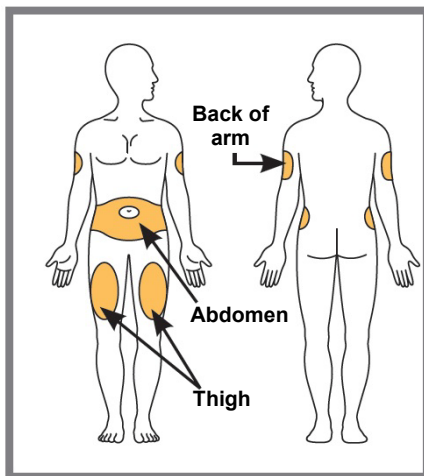
The medicine inside should be clear. Its colour may vary from colourless to slightly yellow.

If you see any of the following, **DO NOT USE** the syringe, and dispose of it as directed:

- It is past the expiry date.
- It looks damaged.
- The medicine is cloudy, is distinctly brown, or has small particles.

1d **Wash your hands before you inject your medicine.**

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**Choose your injection site.**

You may inject in your abdomen (stomach area), in your thigh, or in the back of your arm. To inject in your arm, you will need someone to help you.

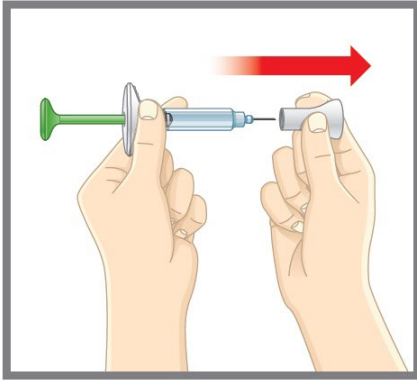
**DO NOT** inject into areas where the skin is tender, bruised, red, or hard or where you have scars or stretch marks. **DO NOT** inject within 2.5 centimetres of the navel (belly button).

**Alternate your injection sites. DO NOT** inject in the exact same spot every time. For example, if your last injection was in your left thigh, your next injection should be in your right thigh, your abdomen, or the back of either arm.

1f Prepare your skin. Clean your skin with an alcohol wipe. Let the injection site dry naturally before you inject your medicine.

## 2 INJECT

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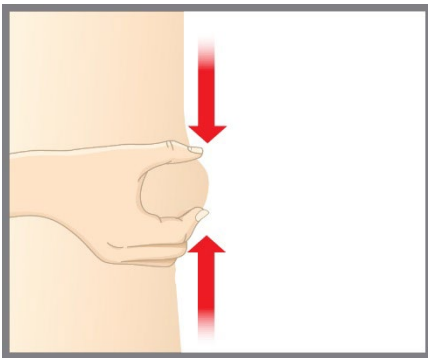


**Pull the needle cap off and throw it away.**

**DO NOT** put the needle cap back on—you could damage the needle or injure yourself by accident.

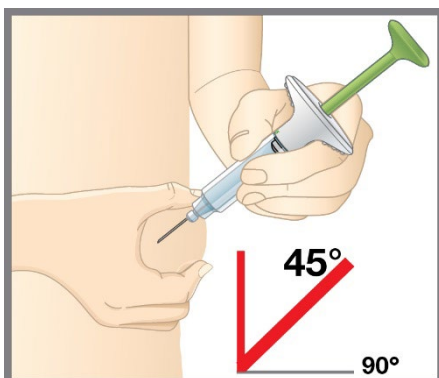
**DO NOT** touch the needle.

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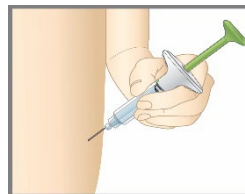


**Gently pinch and hold a fold of skin where you will inject.**

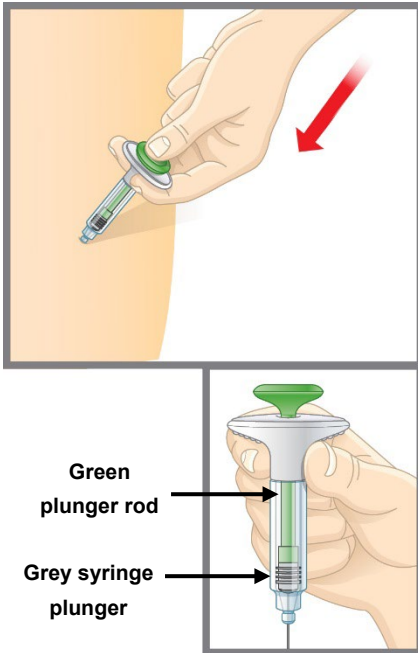
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**Insert the needle at a 45-degree angle.** Then gently let go of your skin. Make sure to keep the needle in place.



2d



### Push in the plunger.

Slowly push the plunger all the way in until all the medicine is injected. The grey syringe plunger should be pushed all the way to the end of the syringe. Gently remove the needle from your skin.

Press a cotton ball or gauze over the injection site. **DO NOT** rub the injection site, as this may cause bruising. You may have slight bleeding. This is normal.

**You should see the green plunger rod showing through the syringe body when the injection is complete.**

## 3 FINISH

3a



### Dispose of the pre-filled syringe.

**DO NOT** put the needle cap back on. Dispose of the syringe in a sharps container or as directed by your doctor, pharmacist or nurse.

### When you dispose of syringes and the sharps container:

- Dispose of the syringe in a sharps container or as directed by your doctor, pharmacist or nurse.
- Do not recycle the filled sharps container.
- Ask your doctor, pharmacist or nurse about how to dispose of medicines you no longer use.

## Safety tips

- If you have questions or need help with your pre-filled syringe, call your doctor, pharmacist or nurse.
- If you have vision problems, DO NOT use the pre-filled syringe without help from a person trained to use it.
- DO NOT share or reuse your Taltz pre-filled syringe. You may give or get an infection
- Keep the syringe out of the reach and sight of children.
- If you do not have a sharps container, ask your doctor, pharmacist or nurse about where you can get one.

## Commonly asked questions

### **Q. What if I see air bubbles in my syringe?**

- A.** It is normal to sometimes have air bubbles in the syringe. Taltz is injected under your skin (subcutaneous injection). Air bubbles are not a problem in this type of injection. They will not harm you or affect your dose.

### **Q. What if there is a drop of liquid on the tip of the needle when I remove the needle cap?**

- A.** It is okay to see a drop of liquid on the tip of the needle. This will not harm you or affect your dose.

### **Q. What if I cannot push in the plunger?**

**A. If the plunger is stuck or damaged:**

- DO NOT continue to use the syringe.
- Remove the needle from your skin.

### **Q. How can I tell if my injection is complete?**

**A. When your injection is complete:**

- The green plunger rod should show through the body of the syringe.
- The grey syringe plunger should be pushed all the way to the end of the syringe.

### **Q. What if the syringe is left at room temperature for longer than 30 minutes?**

- A.** If needed, the syringe may be left out of the fridge at temperature not above 30 °C for up to 5 days if protected from direct sunlight. Taltz should be discarded if not used within the 5 day period at room temperature.

**Read the full Instructions for use and the package leaflet inside this box to learn more about your medicine.**

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