

How to use your Philips nebulizer compressor

The following is a basic guide for using a Philips nebulizer compressor system. You should always refer to the instructions for use supplied with your nebulizer and compressor for more detailed and specific instruction.



Plug your compressor into the power outlet, then connect one end of the long nebulizer tubing to the airflow outlet on your compressor.



Push the other end of the long tubing onto the stem at the bottom of your SideStream nebulizer.



Unscrew the two halves of the SideStream nebulizer.



Remove the medication from the pack and pour into the bottom part of the SideStream nebulizer. Make sure all of the contents are emptied out.*



Screw the two halves of the nebulizer back together.



Connect either the mouthpiece or the mask to the top of the SideStream nebulizer.

*Please note: If you have been instructed to dilute the solution, add the amount of saline as instructed.

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If using a facemask, hold it over your mouth and nose whilst placing the elastic strap around the back of your head.



If using a mouthpiece, place it between your lips.



Sit upright in a chair or in bed and relax as much as possible. When ready, turn on the compressor and take normal steady breaths.



Your treatment may be paused by turning off the compressor and securely placing the nebulizer in the holder.



Turn off the compressor when your nebulizer begins to make a 'spluttering' noise. Your treatment has now finished.

Notes:

- When using, always keep your compressor on a firm surface such as a table. Do not place your compressor on the carpet floor to avoid dust being drawn in.
- Be careful not to block the vents on the outside of the compressor
- Keep the compressor clean and dust free by wiping with a damp cloth
- There will be a small amount of medication left in the nebulizer at the end of your treatment. This is perfectly normal.

Cleaning your Philips nebulizer

The following should help to keep your system working effectively and reliably. These cleaning instructions are recommended for both the reusable and disposable version of the Philips SideStream nebulizer.

After each use



After every use, disconnect the nebulizer from the tubing. Turn on the compressor for a short period to clear any moisture from the tubing.



Remove the tubing and the mouthpiece or facemask from the nebulizer. Unscrew the nebulizer into two parts.



If using a facemask, wipe it with a damp cloth. Important: do not wash the tubing.



Wash the nebulizer and mouthpiece in warm, soapy water using regular dishwashing liquid. Clear the fine jet holes by rinsing under clean, cold running water and shake off any excess.



It is essential that the nebulizer parts are completely dry before reassembly.



To maintain effectiveness, it is a good idea to store nebulizer parts between uses in a clean, dry, environment.

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It is important to change your tubing and mouthpiece/facemask regularly.

Once a week



To ensure optimum performance, reusable nebulizers should be boiled with two drops of dish washing liquid for 10 minutes once a week.



Never use a cleaning brush or sharp objects when cleaning because this will damage the nebulizer.