

Medications to Stop before Surgery

This is a list of medications that have an effect on the blood clotting process. These medications must be avoided 5-14 days prior to surgery. Please contact your prescribing physician for instructions on discontinuing these medications.

Herbal supplements (including tea) and vitamins should also be discontinued 14 days prior to surgery as some of these contain natural blood thinners.

For headaches and other aches and pains, you MAY take Tylenol, according to package directions.

- Aspirin – Anacin, Ascriptin, Bayer, Bufferin, Ecotrin, Exedrin
- Clostazol – Pletal
- Clopidogrel –Plavix
- Dabigatran – Pradaxa
- Diclofenac – Arthrotec, Voltaren
- Diflunisal – Dolobid
- Dipyridamole – Aggrenox
- Eliquis – Apixaban
- Etodolac – Lodine
- Fish Oil
- Fondaparinux – Arixtra
- Ibuprofen – Advil, Motrin, Midol
- Indomethacin – Indocin
- Ketoprofen – Orudis
- Ketorolac – Toradol
- Nabumetone – Relafen
- Naproxen – Aleve, Anaprox, Naprosyn
- Oxyprozin – Daypro
- Pentoxifylline – Trental
- Piroxicam – Feldene
- Rivaroxaban – Xarelto
- Soma Compound
- Sulindac – Clinoril
- Vitamin E
- Warfarin – Coumadin, Jantoven