

Minoxidil Dosing in Children with Hair Loss

(Minoxidil use is off label and should be used only in conjunction with a specialist. Doses shown here are maximum doses)

AGE	Type of Minoxidil (2 % or 5 %)	Dose
0-2 years	-----	Minoxidil not recommended by Dr. Donovan
3	2 %	3 drops once daily for 1 month and if tolerated then 3 drops twice daily
4	2 %	4 drops once daily for 1 month and if tolerated then 4 drops twice daily
5	2 %	5 drops once daily for 1 month and if tolerated then 5 drops twice daily
6	2 %	6 drops once daily for 1 month and if tolerated then 6 drops twice daily
7	2 %	7 drops once daily for 1 month and if tolerated then 7 drops twice daily
8	2 % then 5 %	Start with 2 % and use 8 drops once daily for 1 month and if tolerated then 8 drops twice daily. After 2 more months may use 5 % if tolerating well.
9	2 % then 5 %	Start with 2 % and use 9 drops once daily for 1 month and if tolerated then 9 drops twice daily. After 2 more months may use 5 % if tolerating well.
10	2 % then 5 %	Start with 2 % and use 10 drops once daily for 1 month and if tolerated then 10 drops twice daily. After 2 more months may use 5 % if tolerating well.
11	2 % then 5 %	Start with 2 % and use 11 drops once daily for 1 month and if tolerated then 11 drops twice daily. After 2 more months may use 5 % if tolerating well.
12	2 % then 5 %	Start with 2 % and use 15 drops once daily for 2 months and if tolerated then 15 drops twice daily. After 2 more months may use 5 % if tolerating well.
13	2 % then 5 %	Start with 2 % and use 15 drops once daily for 2 months and if tolerated then 15 drops twice daily. After 2 more months may use 5 % if tolerating well.
14	2 % then 5 %	Start with 2 % and use 15 drops once daily for 2 months and if tolerated then 15 drops twice daily. After 2 more months may use 5 % if tolerating well.
15	2 % then 5 %	Start with 2 % and use 16 drops once daily for 2 months and if tolerated then 15 drops twice daily. After 2 more months may use 5 % if tolerating well.
16	2 % then 5 %	Start with 2 % and use 18 drops once daily for 2 months and if tolerated then 18 drops twice daily. After 2 more months may use 5 % if tolerating well.
17	5%	20 drops once daily of 5 % for females. Males may use twice daily. May use ½ cap of the Minoxidil foam (once daily for females and twice daily for males). However, there is no need to switch if lotion is tolerated well.
18	5%	Standard adult dosing