

# nfant® Control Flow Nipples

# Why hospitals and clinicians trust nfant most



nfant® Control Flow Nipples are designed (and scientifically verified) to provide the most consistent and reliable flow rates, leading to the best feeding outcomes at any stage. A consistent feeding experience is crucial for supporting a baby's developmental progress when learning to feed on their own.

Trusted for more than a decade by those caring for the most fragile babies in NICUs across the country, nfant® Control Flow Nipples are made to meet the needs of high risk births, babies with feeding challenges, or any infant that would benefit from developmentally supportive, cue-based feeding. Controlled flow during paced feeding ensures infants feed comfortably and safely at every stage. Matching the flow rate during supplemental feeds to baby's preferences during breastfeeding promotes consistency and increases the opportunity for prolonged breastfeeding after hospital discharge.

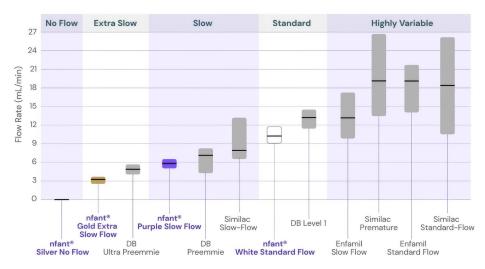
## Why hospitals have switched to nfant

- Ready to ship: Reliable stock with no supply chain issues
- Infection control: Clean, ready-to-use packaging eliminates infection risk from cleaning and passes Joint Commission infection control requirements
- Progressive flow rates: Developmentally supportive and consistent; tested by independent researchers
- Safety first: Vented technology reduces aerophagia; 100% BPA, phthalate, and lead free with fewer pieces to clean
- Baby friendly designation: Meets BFUSA criteria

# **Most Reliable Flow Rates**

Scientific studies have shown that the flow rates of nipples are not consistent brand to brand. Due to inconsistencies in quality, new recommendations discourage use of single-use disposable nipples by major brands, and parents and nurses are frequently frustrated with reusable bottle systems that are difficult to clean and increase infection control concerns.

Our line of patented Control Flow Nipples provide the most consistent and reliable flow rates, leading to the best feeding outcomes at any stage. That's why nfant® Control Flow Nipples are the most trusted in hospitals today and loved by parents everywhere.



- = mean flow rate

"Know the Flow: Milk Flow Ranges From Bottle Nipples Used in the Hospital and After Discharge." Advances in Neonatal Care, official journal of the National Association of Neonatal Nurses (2018).

# Flow Rates for Every Age and Ability

Selecting the appropriate nipple flow rate can make all the difference in supporting safe and effective feeding. Start with a slower flow for newborns, including premature or high-risk infants, and gradually progress as feeding skills improve. Find what works best for the baby — some may prefer the same flow rate for their entire bottle journey.

## Gold Extra Slow Flow



- This is a good option for premature babies just beginning to orally feed.
- It is also a good option for full term infants who are being followed by a health professional for feeding issues and are fed orally with caution.

## Purple Slow Flow



- This is a good option for premature babies as they advance their ability to orally feed.
- It is a good option for full term infants who enjoy a smaller amount of fluid in the mouth (bolus) to safely suck and swallow.
- A great place to start for beginner feeders or when introducing bottles to a breastfeeding baby.

#### White Standard Flow





- A good option for full term infants in the early phases of bottle feeding or transitioning to a bottle from breastfeeding, or when circumstances require both breast and bottle feeding.
- This is a good option for premature babies as they prepare for discharge/when it is safe to move away from the nfant Slow Flow.

#### Blue 2x Standard Flow



- Ideal for infants who prefer a faster flow rate than the nfant Standard Flow.
- This is a good option for infants using high calories formulas (due to the increased thickness of the fluid).

#### Green 3x Standard Flow



- Our fastest flowing nipple. Only recommended for the most mature bottle
- Great for babies who are taking thickened liquids as part of a medically established plan for reducing esophageal reflux.

## Silver No Flow Trainer



- This nipple contains no hole, so it has no flow rate
- It can be used to practice sucking when filled with warm water and familiarize baby with the size and shape of nfant nipples.
- Recommended when transitioning newborns from a feeding tube.



nfant Control Flow Nipples are available for purchase on Amazon and nfant.com.

# Partnering with You to Advance Infant Feeding Care

nfant has collaborated with researchers, speech-language pathologists, physicians, and clinicians for more than a decade to advance the science of effective infant feeding. To explore the clinical evidence informing these materials, please refer to our published studies. If you are interested in learning more about our latest clinical studies, or how Thrive's quantitative data can support your practice, we would be happy to walk you through our products and answer any questions you may have. Email us at pros@nfant.com to connect.