MEIJER NICOTINE TRANSDERMAL SYSTEM STEP 1- nicotine patch, extended release
Novartis Consumer Health

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Drug Facts

Active ingredient Step 1
Nicotine, 21 mg delivered over 24 hours

Purpose
Stop smoking aid

Uses
reduces withdrawal symptoms, including nicotine craving, associated with quitting smoking.

Warnings
If you are pregnant or breast-feeding, only use this medicine on the advice of your health care provider. Smoking can seriously harm your child. Try to stop smoking without using any nicotine replacement medicine. This medicine is believed to be safer than smoking. However, the risks to your child from this medicine are not fully known.

Do not use
• if you continue to smoke, chew tobacco, use snuff, use nicotine gum, or use another nicotine patch or other nicotine containing products

Ask a doctor before use if you have
• heart disease, recent heart attack, or irregular heartbeat. Nicotine can increase your heart rate.
• high blood pressure not controlled with medication. Nicotine can increase your blood pressure.
• an allergy to adhesive tape or have skin problems, because you are more likely to get rashes.

Ask a doctor or pharmacist before use if you are
• using a non-nicotine stop smoking drug
• taking a prescription medicine for depression or asthma. Your prescription dose may need to be adjusted

When using this product
• do not smoke even when not wearing the patch. The nicotine in your skin will still be entering your bloodstream for several hours after you take off the patch.
• if you have vivid dreams or other sleep disturbances remove this patch at bedtime

Stop use and ask a doctor if
• skin redness caused by the patch does not go away after four days, or if your skin swells, or you get a rash
• irregular heartbeat or palpitations occur
• you get symptoms of nicotine overdose, such as nausea, vomiting, dizziness, weakness and rapid
heartbeat

Keep out of reach of children and pets
Used patches have enough nicotine to poison children and pets. If swallowed, get medical help or contact a Poison Control Center right away. Save pouch to use for patch disposal. Dispose of the used patches by folding sticky ends together and putting in pouch.

Directions
- If you are under 18 years of age, ask a doctor before use
- Before using this product, read the enclosed self-help guide for complete directions and other information
- Stop smoking completely when you begin using the patch
- If you smoke more than 10 cigarettes per day, use the following schedule below:

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- If you smoke 10 or less cigarettes per day, start with Step 2 for 6 weeks, then Step 3 for 2 weeks and then stop
- Apply one new patch every 24 hours on skin that is dry, clean and hairless
- Remove backing from patch and immediately press onto skin. Hold for 10 seconds.
- Wash hands after applying or removing patch. Save pouch to use for patch disposal. Dispose of the used patches by folding sticky ends together and putting in pouch.
- The used patch should be removed and a new one applied to a different skin site at the same time each day
- If you have vivid dreams, you may remove the patch at bedtime and apply a new one in the morning
- Do not wear more than one patch at a time
- Do not cut patch in half or into smaller pieces
- Do not leave patch on for more than 24 hours because it may irritate your skin and loses strength after 24 hours
- To avoid possible burns, remove patch before undergoing any MRI (magnetic resonance imaging) procedures
- Stop using the patch at the end of 8 weeks. If you still feel the need to use the patch talk to your doctor.

Other information
- Store at 20-25°C (68-77°F)

USER'S GUIDE
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Nicotine Transdermal System
STOP SMOKING AID PATCH
HABITROL TAKE CONTROL SUPPORT PROGRAM® (with logo)
Your guide to help you successfully quit smoking

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Congratulations! You’ve joined millions of others who have made the important and rewarding decision to quit smoking. A large percentage of smokers have already successfully quit. You can too. You’ve already taken the first smart step by choosing the patch and the HABITROL Take Control® Support Program. The program includes the use of nicotine replacement therapy and behavioral support, a combination that can significantly increase your chances of quitting.

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usually have to try to quit several times before they completely stop.
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First, there is the 3-step nicotine patch that delivers controlled amounts of nicotine to help reduce your withdrawal cravings for nicotine. The patch utilizes nicotine replacement therapy, and through the use of step-down dosing, gradually reduces the amount of nicotine in your system.
Second, the HABITROL Take Control® Support Program, developed by behavioral change and smoking cessation experts, recognizes that quitting smoking is a personal journey that occurs in six stages, known as the “Stages of Change.”
The HABITROL Take Control® Support Program offers the following support elements to help you quit:

1. This guide will teach you how to move through the quit process by helping you to identify your reasons for quitting, manage urges to smoke, recover from slips and control your weight.

2. An optional compact disc* gives you more information about the patch and the six “Stages of Change.” It provides guidance about what to do at each stage to increase your chances of quitting for good, as well as, relaxation techniques to help you become and remain smoke-free. It also includes a full track of soothing instrumental music.

3. 1-888-HABITROL — our toll-free telephone support center, staffed by smoking cessation professionals, will offer you friendly support and information. Call Monday through Friday between 9 a.m. and 8 p.m. ET. You can use this resource to help you get ready to quit, manage urges, cope with withdrawal symptoms, recover from slips and deal with smoking spouses and friends.

*If you need a cassette tape instead of the compact disc, please call 1-888-HABITROL.

Working Towards Success
— The Stages of Change

Quitting smoking is a process that begins long before your quit day. Researchers have determined that smokers go through the following six “Stages of Change” while on the road to becoming smoke-free.

Pre-Contemplation Stage:
If you are in this stage, you don’t have any intention to quit smoking in the near future (i.e., within the next 6 months). You feel that the benefits you receive from smoking outweigh the costs and risks of smoking. This is called the Pre-Contemplation Stage. If you are in this stage right now, you are not ready to use the patch.
Contemplation Stage:
After a period of time, often years, you may begin to realize that you are “hooked,” and that smoking is affecting your health and the health of those around you. You begin to think about the benefits of quitting, but you know that quitting will be difficult. You are seriously considering quitting smoking sometime within the next six months, but you are ambivalent. This is called the Contemplation Stage. In this stage, you may read articles on ways to quit or on the health effects of smoking, while you would have ignored this information in the Pre-Contemplation Stage. You begin to imagine your life without cigarettes. You also begin to experiment with making changes. For example, you may be trying to delay your first cigarette of the day, smoke only half of some cigarettes, or not smoke in your house or car. If you are in this stage right now, you are still not ready to use the patch.

Preparation Stage:
When you’ve made the decision to quit within the next month, and you have experimented with making changes, you’ve entered the Preparation Stage. Most people who have purchased the patch for the first time are in this stage. Preparation is a good name for this stage because thorough preparation greatly improves your chances of success. Just “winging it” or relying on willpower alone is not enough. You need a game plan that includes setting a quit date and committing to at least one person that you will make this change. Using this guide, as well as talking to the professionals at 1-888-HABITROL, will help you become fully prepared for your quit day and beyond.

Action Stage:
On the day that you quit smoking, you are in the Action Stage. It’s time to set your plan in motion. You will probably experience cravings for nicotine and urges to have a cigarette throughout the day, but
through preparation, you have developed multiple strategies for dealing with your “triggers,” withdrawal symptoms and those cravings or urges to smoke. It’s important to start using the patch on the morning of your quit-day to help reduce urges to smoke and other withdrawal symptoms, such as irritability and difficulty concentrating.

**Maintenance and Termination Stages:**

If you are able to remain smoke-free for 6 months, you enter the *Maintenance Stage*. You like your new life, but still have occasional urges. Watch out for overconfidence. Thinking you can smoke “just one cigarette” should be a blinking neon warning sign. For most people, that one cigarette leads to two, then three, then full-time smoking again. Constantly remind yourself of the benefits you now enjoy as a nonsmoker. Have a plan ready to help you manage unexpected situations that may cause you stress and challenge your resolve to remain smoke-free. Most successful quitters will have occasional urges for many years.

Only about 1 in 5 quitters reach the *Termination Stage*, in which they have absolutely no temptation to smoke, and are 100% confident that they will never smoke again. Your own chances to stop smoking depend on how strongly you are addicted to nicotine, how much you want to quit, and how closely you follow a quitting program like the one that comes with this product. If you find you cannot stop or if you start smoking again after using this product, please talk to a health care professional who can help you find a program that may work better for you.

**Which Way Now?**

If you are planning on quitting within the next month or have recently quit, continue working through this guide to develop your personal quit plan, including the use of the patch. If you have any questions or need additional support, call the professionals at 1-888-HABITROL. You will be encouraged by the wealth of information and support that is readily available.

If you are not planning on quitting soon, this isn’t the time for you to use the patch, but the professionals at 1-888-HABITROL can still help you. They can offer you personalized feedback about your smoking, help you set a quit date, assist with your ambivalence about quitting and provide you information about the resources available to you, even before you’re ready to quit. You can also help a friend or family member that is trying to quit by passing along this information about the HABITROL Take Control® Support Program. Use of 1-888-HABITROL is free of charge.

**Why I Want to Stop Smoking**

Knowing that there are benefits to quitting is essential to your success. Writing down the reasons you want to quit on a card and keeping it with you to review can help you resist a temptation to smoke. Check off the reasons below that apply to you.

- I want control back — I’m almost always thinking about or smoking a cigarette. I feel like the cigarette is controlling me.
- I want to improve my chances of living a longer, healthier life.
- I want to spend my cigarette money on other things — maybe a vacation.
- I want more time for myself. Instead of taking those smoke breaks outside, I could be doing so many other things.
- I want to look and smell better by getting rid of that lingering odor of smoke.
- I want to set a healthier example for my children and grandchildren.

Write other reasons you have for quitting in the space below:

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After completing this list, refer to it every day to reinforce your commitment to becoming a nonsmoker.

**Health Benefits of Quitting**

Most of us recognize the risks of smoking, such as cancer, heart disease and emphysema, but may not be aware of the many immediate and long-term benefits of quitting.
Immediate benefits in the first days and months may include:
• Breathing may get easier
• Food tastes better
• Sense of smell improves
• Walking and exercise may become easier

Remember, it’s never too late to quit. Whether you’re 34 or 84, your body can cleanse and start to repair the damage done by years of smoking.

II: Getting Started: Your Personal Quit Plan

Setting Your Quit Date

Now that you are motivated and committed, the next step is to choose a quit date within the next 2–3 weeks to stop smoking. Decide whether it will be easier to quit on a workday when your smoking may already be restricted, or on the weekend when you are more relaxed. You may want to consider quitting at the beginning of the week, on a Sunday or Monday. It’s best to choose a date when:
• Your stress level is low
• You’ll be confronted with a minimum of smoking triggers
• You will not be in a social situation with other smokers, especially those that include alcohol

Enter your quit date on Day 1 of your Daily Success Calendar, located in the back of this guide.

Understanding Nicotine Addiction

Dependence on cigarettes is a twofold problem: the physical side of addiction to nicotine and the psychological side. Preparing to deal with both in advance will help make quitting easier and more comfortable.

Smoking and your body

As you know, smoking cigarettes is addictive. Nicotine, the addictive agent, reaches your brain in just seconds after each puff. Your brain and body get used to functioning with a certain level of nicotine. Within a few hours of your last cigarette, your nicotine level drops dramatically, resulting in withdrawal symptoms for most smokers.

Common withdrawal symptoms include intense cravings for nicotine, irritability, anxiety, depression, restlessness, difficulty concentrating, difficulty sleeping and increased appetite. Physical withdrawal symptoms usually peak within 24 to 72 hours after quitting, then decline over the next several weeks. Some smokers, however, may experience withdrawal symptoms for several months.

Staying on this patch for the full eight weeks can reduce the withdrawal symptoms you experience.

Smoking and your mind

The physical need for nicotine isn’t the only reason you may find it difficult to quit smoking. You can also be psychologically dependent.

Over time you’ve created strong associations or “triggers” to light up a cigarette. Sometimes you smoke for comfort: “Smoking helps me relax,” or “I don’t feel as angry when I smoke.” Sometimes it seems to make a social situation more enjoyable: “I like to smoke when I’m out having coffee with a friend or when drinking at a party.” At other times, you smoke out of habit: “I light up as soon as I get in the car,” “I smoke when I’m taking a break at work” or “Because I am so used to smoking, I feel uncomfortable without a cigarette in my hand.”
Knowing your “triggers”
 Listed to the right are some of the common situations or activities that “trigger” smoking in many people and some suggestions on how to change your habits in order to reduce your urge to smoke.

Taming Your Triggers
 Here are some other common “triggers.” Check off the ones that apply to you and write down how you
Reducing the Urge to Smoke
Urges to smoke only last for a few seconds to a few minutes. Believe it or not, the urge to smoke will pass whether you smoke or not. When an urge strikes, try the following:


2. Switch your focus. Deliberately switch your attention from having a cigarette onto something else,
like reading or stretching.

3. Use mental imagery to transform the urge into something manageable. For example, imagine the urge to smoke is like feeling thirsty. Then imagine reaching for a glass of cool ice water. Feel the coolness in your throat. Your entire body feels relief. You are calm and the urge has disappeared.

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**Building Your Supporting Cast**

Quitting isn’t easy. Sometimes you can feel all alone. This is where friends and family, both smokers and nonsmokers, can help. Take your friends and family through your quit plan. Once they understand why you are changing some of your old habits, they’ll be in a better position to understand and support you.

Tell your smoking friends of your desire to quit (truth is, many of them may have that same desire). You might be pleasantly surprised how supportive they can be. If your smoking friends express an interest in quitting, give them our number, 1-888-HABITROL, and we’ll help get them started. You might even choose to quit at the same time so that you can work as a team supporting one another.

It’s hard for people who have never smoked to understand what you’re going through, both emotionally and physically. Be patient with them. Explain that you might be a little (or very) irritable for a while.
Countdown to Quit Day — 10 Steps to Success
1. Tape a list of your reasons for quitting on the mirror. Go over them daily.
2. Tell one or two friends and your family. Ask for the specific help that you think you will need from each of them.
3. Use the HABITROL Take Control® Support Program.
4. Know your “triggers” and practice your coping strategies.
5. Change your routines (for example, sit in a different chair, not your smoking chair).
6. Plan how you will spend all the money you save from not smoking.
7. Freshen your environment. On the day before your quit date, clean your clothes, car and any rooms where you spend a lot of time.
8. Throw away any remaining cigarettes, ashtrays and lighters the night before your quit day.
9. Have plenty of low-calorie snacks available.
10. Use the patch as directed.

You should not smoke or use any other product containing nicotine while wearing the patch, since doing so will temporarily increase the level of nicotine in your blood. Furthermore, smoking even one cigarette reduces your chances of becoming smoke free.

Rewarding Yourself
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Many people get this far and forget to reward themselves. We know that we are more likely to keep going if we get rewarded. So, in the space below, write ways that you can reward yourself at least once a day.

If You Slip
Imagine that you go out with friends and end up having a cigarette. In other words, you “slipped.” This is not a relapse back to smoking. Don’t let this mistake make you feel like a failure or like giving up. Get back on track immediately. Don’t smoke another cigarette. Figure out why you had the slip and how, in the future, you will deal with the people, places or feelings that led to smoking. Do whatever works for you. The point is that slips, like mistakes, can be great learning experiences. If you slip and need help, give us a call at 1-888-HABITROL. We’ll be happy to help you find ways to cope — without a cigarette.

If you resume smoking
If you do return to your regular smoking habit, take some time to examine what went wrong. Did you quit without being prepared? Did you have and use the support of friends and family? If you are ready to try again, we can help you evaluate and revise your personal quit plan: call us at 1-888-HABITROL. The patch helps smokers quit smoking by reducing nicotine withdrawal symptoms. Many patch users will be able to stop smoking for at least a few days, but many will start smoking again. Most smokers usually have to try to quit several times before they completely stop.

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And, if for some reason you are not ready to try again right now, keep these materials until you are ready. Before you set your quit date, call us to help you prepare for a successful quit.

A quick tip -- If you bought a pack of cigarettes to “just have one,” run the rest under cold water and then throw them out! Every single one! Don’t allow yourself to think that you can keep cigarettes stashed away and still resist them. Remember, the only reason to keep cigarettes around is to smoke them!
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• Have heart disease or an irregular heartbeat, or if you had a recent heart attack. Nicotine can increase your heart rate.
• Have high blood pressure not controlled with medication. Nicotine can increase blood pressure.
• Are allergic to any adhesives or patch ingredients or have skin problems, because you are more likely to get rashes.
• Are using a non-nicotine stop smoking drug.
• Take prescription medicine for depression or asthma. Your prescription dose may need to be adjusted.

Keep out of reach of children and pets. Used patches have enough nicotine to poison children and pets. If swallowed, get medical help or contact a Poison Control Center right away.

How the Patch Works
The patch is a nicotine transdermal system skin patch containing nicotine, the addictive agent in tobacco products. When you wear a patch, it gradually releases nicotine into your bloodstream through the skin. By replacing some of the nicotine to which your body has become accustomed from smoking, the patch helps reduce the nicotine withdrawal symptoms many people normally feel when they stop smoking. By offering three patches with different nicotine dose levels, this patch uses a step-down dosing system that allows you to gradually reduce your nicotine level by changing the patch you wear (moving to a lower dose) over an eight-week period. Nicotine replacement therapy can reduce nicotine withdrawal symptoms such as irritability, anxiety, restlessness, headaches, difficulty sleeping and concentrating, increased appetite, and craving for nicotine. By helping to reduce your physical nicotine withdrawal symptoms, the patch helps you to concentrate on the psychological aspects of quitting and to change your habits that “trigger” your nicotine cravings. This patch program takes 8 weeks to complete, at the end of which you should stop using the patch. It is important that you keep using the patch until you have completed the entire program, and continue to use the HABITROL Take Control® Support Program when you need it.

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**Why wearing a nicotine patch isn’t as bad as smoking?**
By placing a nicotine patch on your skin, you are NOT inhaling the harmful tars, toxins and chemicals found in cigarettes. These are the most dangerous parts of the cigarette. And, because you’re not smoking while wearing the patch, there’s no second-hand smoke or odors to affect your family and friends.

**How to Use the Patch**
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**Warnings:**
- **If you are pregnant or breast-feeding, only use this medicine on the advice of your health care provider.** Smoking can seriously harm your child. Try to stop smoking without using any nicotine replacement medicine. This medicine is believed to be safer than smoking. However, the risks to your child from this medicine are not fully known.
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- Ask a doctor before use if you have heart disease, have had a recent heart attack, or have an irregular heartbeat. Nicotine can increase your heart rate.
- Ask a doctor before use if you have high blood pressure not controlled with medication. Nicotine can increase your blood pressure.
- Ask a doctor or pharmacist before use if you are using a non-nicotine stop smoking drug.
- Ask a doctor or pharmacist before use if you are taking a prescription medicine for depression or asthma. Your prescription dose may need to be adjusted.
- When using this product, do not smoke even when not wearing the patch. The nicotine in your skin will still be entering your bloodstream for several hours after you take off the patch.
- When using this product, if you have vivid dreams or other sleep disturbances, you may remove the patch at bedtime and apply a new one in the morning.
- Stop use and ask a doctor if skin redness caused by the patch does not go away after four days, or if your skin swells, or you get a rash.
- Stop use and ask a doctor if irregular heartbeat or palpitations occur.
- Stop use and ask a doctor if you get symptoms of nicotine overdose, such as nausea, vomiting, dizziness, weakness and rapid heartbeat.
- Keep unused and used patches out of the reach of children and pets. Used patches have enough nicotine to poison children and pets. If swallowed, get medical help or contact a Poison Control Center right away. Save pouch to use for patch disposal. Dispose of the used patches by folding sticky ends together and putting in pouch. Do not wear more than one patch at a time.
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- To avoid possible burns, remove patch before undergoing any MRI (Magnetic Resonance Imaging) procedures.
- Stop using the patch at the end of 8 weeks. The patch has been tested in 3 month studies and long

See chart on following page.

First, it is important that you are well prepared to give up smoking. If you are under 18 years of age, ask a doctor before use.
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If you smoke 10 or less cigarettes per day:
• Do not use Step 1 Patch (21 mg/ day). Begin with Step 2 Patch (14mg/day) for 6 weeks, use Step 3 Patch (7mg/day) for 2 weeks and then stop.
• Steps 2 and 3 allow you to gradually reduce your level of nicotine. Completing the full program will increase your chance of quitting successfully.
• Stop at the end of eight weeks.

Lowering your patch dosage over 8 weeks will help you overcome your physical cravings for nicotine. You should talk to your doctor if, after you complete 8 weeks of patch use, you feel you need to continue therapy.

How to apply the Nicotine Transdermal System Patch
1. Choose a clean, dry, non-hairy area of skin on your upper body or the outer part of your arm. Do not put a patch on skin that is very oily, burned, broken out, cut or irritated in any way. Immediately before applying the patch, wash your hands and the skin area with plain soap and water and dry completely. Avoid using any soap, lotion, hand cream, tanning lotion or oil, bath oil or insect repellent that contains aloe, lanolin or glycerin as a moisturizer. These products can leave a moisturizing film on your skin, which can interfere with the adherence of the patch.
2. Do not remove the patch from its sealed, protective pouch until you are ready to use it. Carefully cut open the child-resistant pouch along the dotted line, as indicated. If the new patch is cut, throw it away. Save pouch to use for patch disposal. Dispose of the used patches by folding sticky ends
3. A shiny protective liner covers the sticky side of the patch where it contacts the skin. The liner has a precut slit to help you remove it from the patch. With the silver side facing you, pull the liner away from the patch, starting at the precut slit. Hold the patch at the edge (touch the sticky side as little as possible) and pull off the other piece of the protective liner. Throw this liner away.

4. Immediately apply the sticky side of the patch to your skin. Press the patch firmly against your skin with the palm of your hand for about 10 seconds. Make sure it sticks well to your skin, especially around the edges.

5. When you have finished applying or removing the patch, wash your hands with water only. Nicotine on your hands could get into your eyes and nose and could cause stinging, redness or irritation.

6. After 24 hours, remove the patch you have been wearing. 

   If you remove and apply the patch at about the same time each day, it will help you to remember when to put on a new patch. Choose a different place on your skin to apply the next patch and repeat steps 1 through 5. Do not reapply a patch to a previously used skin site for at least 1 week. Do not leave the patch on for more than 24 hours, because it may irritate your skin and loses strength after 24 hours. Do not wear more than one patch at the same time, and do not cut a patch in half or into smaller pieces to wear.
If you have trouble sleeping
You should wear the patch 24 hours a day. This may help overcome your morning cravings for nicotine. However, if you have vivid dreams or other sleep disturbances, you may remove the patch at bedtime and apply a new patch the following morning. The patch should be applied at approximately the same time each day.

If your patch comes off
If your patch falls off, put on a new one. Then remove this new patch at your regular time to keep your schedule the same. When applying the patch, be sure to press it firmly onto your skin with the palm of your hand for about 10 seconds, making sure that the patch sticks well, especially around the edges.

If your patch gets wet
Water will not harm or affect the patch you are wearing. You can take a bath or a shower, or you can swim while you are wearing the patch.

Disposing of the patch
Save pouch to use for patch disposal. Dispose of the used patches by folding sticky ends together and putting in pouch. Keep all used patches out of reach of children and pets.

Storage instructions
Keep the patch in its protective pouch until you are ready to use it. Store your patches between 20-25°C (68-77°F), because the patch is sensitive to heat. The inside of your car, for example, can reach much higher temperatures in the summer. Keep all unused patches out of the reach of children and pets.

If your skin reacts to the patch
When you first put on a patch, mild itching, burning, or tingling at the patch application site is normal
and should go away within an hour. After you remove a patch, the skin under the patch might be somewhat red. Your skin should not stay red for more than a day. If you have a skin rash or redness caused by the patch that does not go away after 4 days, or your skin swells, call your doctor. Do not put on a new patch; you may be allergic to one of the components of the patch.

Other side effects you may experience
While wearing a nicotine replacement patch, you may experience one or more of the following side effects: nausea, dizziness, dry mouth, diarrhea, nervousness or restlessness, headache, vivid dreams or other sleep disturbances, and irritability.

If you experience any of the following side effects, immediately remove the patch and call your doctor:

- Severe skin irritation or discoloration
- Irregular heartbeats or palpitations
- Severe chest pain or tightening
- Symptoms of nicotine overdose, such as pallor (extreme paleness), cold sweat, nausea, abnormal salivation, vomiting, abdominal pain or severe headache, disturbed hearing or vision, dizziness, mental confusion or weakness.

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**IV: Weight Control Guide**

**Why You May Gain Weight After You Quit Smoking**

It’s perfectly normal to gain some weight when you stop smoking. But don’t panic. Sometimes the weight change is simply a result of a change in your body’s metabolism. This is caused by your body’s withdrawal from nicotine. Your metabolism is simply returning to that of a nonsmoker. Besides, the average weight gain is only about five to ten pounds, and as you will see, there are things you can do to help control it.

Another source of extra pounds is the need for oral gratification. If you use food as a temporary substitute for cigarettes, you may gain weight. If you feel some concern about your weight, remember: a small weight gain is better than the high health risks associated with smoking.

The following tips will help you minimize the weight gain while you quit smoking.

**How to control your weight by watching how and what you eat**

Some general tips:

- Replace fattening snack foods with healthy, low-calorie snacks
- Keep low-fat, low-calorie snacks in the car
- Broil, boil, poach, or steam food instead of frying
- Remove fat from meat and skin from poultry
- Eat slowly and you’ll feel full sooner on less food
- Try eating several small meals a day instead of three big ones
- Drink a large glass of water before a meal

**How to control your weight through the benefits of exercise**

One of the best ways to control your weight is to move more. So if you already exercise regularly, keep it up. If not, start with small increases in your daily activity.

We’re NOT talking about running a marathon. We’re talking about walking to the corner store instead of hopping in the car. Or, walking up three flights of stairs instead of taking the elevator. Maybe you should rediscover your bicycle, take up golf or go for a swim.

A little exercise will do more than you think:

- It reduces possible weight gain while quitting smoking
- It can improve your sleeping
• It can make you feel better in general
• It reduces possible weight gain while quitting smoking
Congratulations again on your decision to quit smoking. By incorporating the behavior-changing tools discussed in this guide into your everyday life, you are on your way to successfully becoming and remaining smoke-free. Continue to reinforce your commitment to remain smoke-free by reading this guide again, listening to the CD, or calling 1-888-HABITROL. While you are taking control with the HABITROL Take Control® Support Program, don’t forget to celebrate your successes along the way.

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<td>Avoid your triggers today. Listen to the HABITROL Take Control® CD.</td>
<td>Remember to switch your focus when you think of a cigarette—think of something else, like how much healthier you’ll be.</td>
<td>Are you rewarding yourself?</td>
<td>Dry clean or wash clothes to get rid of the cigarette smell.</td>
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<td>Try the Three-Second Breathing Exercise.</td>
<td>It’s a good idea to review “Tamper Your Triggers” (page 12).</td>
<td>You made it through the crucial first week!</td>
<td>Don’t forget to change your patch every day.</td>
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<td>What triggers did you tame today?</td>
<td>Have you listened to the HABITROL Take Control® CD lately?</td>
<td>Did you remember to pick up more patches?</td>
<td>Make sure you have healthy snacks on hand.</td>
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<td>Way to go! Two whole weeks without smoking!</td>
<td>Treat yourself today! Go to the movies or the park.</td>
<td>Remember to switch your focus when the urge strikes.</td>
<td>List the triggers you’ve tried. Are you proud of yourself?</td>
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<td>Check your patch supply. Do you need more patches?</td>
<td>Are you exercising enough? Exercise is a great stress reliever!</td>
<td>Think about encouraging a friend to stop smoking.</td>
<td>Celebrate! Three weeks of no smoking!</td>
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<td>You deserve a reward! Do something special for yourself!</td>
<td>The urge to smoke will pass. Stay committed!</td>
<td>Was today trigger-free?</td>
<td>Remember to get up and move. Try a new exercise today!</td>
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<td>Treat yourself to a bottle of cologne to celebrate your improved sense of smell.</td>
<td>Tomorrow, you step down to the next lower strength patch.</td>
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*If you smoke 10 or less cigarettes per day, start with the Step 2, 14mg patch for 6 weeks, then Step 3, 7mg patch for 2 weeks.*
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<td>Take one day at a time.</td>
<td>Admit it, you’re feeling great!</td>
<td>Don’t forget to call a friend if you need some extra TLC.</td>
<td>Ever think about how much money you’ll save being a nonsmoker?</td>
<td>Keep exercising.</td>
<td>List any surprise triggers and how you tackled them.</td>
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<td>Expecting a high-pressure day? Prepare yourself by reviewing “Taming Your Triggers” (page 12).</td>
<td>Try something new. Take up a new hobby.</td>
<td>Don’t forget to switch your venues!</td>
<td>Have you rewarded yourself lately?</td>
<td>See how many successful smoke-free days you’ve had!</td>
<td>Take a walk and renew your commitment.</td>
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<td>DAY 42</td>
<td>A big congrats! You’re coming down the homestretch. Step down to the 7 mg/day patch, which is Step 3.</td>
<td>Your confidence about dealing with triggers has grown.</td>
<td>Review your reasons for quitting.</td>
<td>Remember to keep a healthy snack on hand.</td>
<td>Need some added support? Call a friend or 1-888-HABITROL.</td>
<td>Daily exercise is still your best defense.</td>
<td>Stronger than you thought you were. Congratulations!</td>
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<td>Your last week on the patch!</td>
<td>You’re a hero!</td>
<td>Think of a way to celebrate.</td>
<td>Listen to your CD again.</td>
<td>Are you feeling a great sense of freedom?</td>
<td>Buy yourself a gift today!</td>
<td>Don’t worry about going “cold” (without the patch). You are a success!</td>
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You are invited to use the HABITROL Take Control® Support Program! It’s FREE and only takes a few minutes to call.

Call 1-888-HABITROL (1-888-422-4876)

Call now for this FREE program to help you successfully quit smoking! With FREE Access To:

- COUNSELING
- QUITTING TIPS
- PERSONALIZED SUPPORT
- INFORMATION ABOUT QUITTING SMOKING

Inactive ingredients
acrylate adhesive, aluminized polyester, cellulose paper, methacrylic acid copolymer

Comments or Questions?
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Step 1 Principal Display
# MEIJER NICOTINE TRANSDERMAL SYSTEM  STEP 1

nicotine patch, extended release

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