



Links Medical Products Inc.

## Crushing Medications With The Silent Knight® System

The Silent Knight tablet crushing system is designed for use with tablet medications deemed safe for crushing by the facilities in which they are used.

*A list of some commonly crushed medications is provided on the reverse side of this document. This list is based on interviews with nursing homes. It is not a reference list and is provided only as information. No claim is made for accuracy or for the safety of the medications listed. No medication should be crushed without the prior approval of a pharmacist and under the written orders of a physician.*

**Caution:** As a general guideline, slow-release tablets, enteric tablets, wax coated tablets, capsules and liquid filled capsules should not be crushed. There may also be other medications prescribed that should not be crushed, including tablets. The Institute for Safe Medication Practices (ISMP) website contains specific information from the University of Michigan Hospitals and Health Centers about "Oral Dosage Forms That Should Not Be Crushed" This list can be found on-line at: [www.ismp.org/Tools/DoNotCrush.pdf](http://www.ismp.org/Tools/DoNotCrush.pdf) Additional information about which medications should not be crushed is available through your pharmacist.

### Importance of using a proven crushing system

The Silent Knight tablet crushing system combines the patented mechanical technology of the crushing device with a specially designed, patented tablet pouch. The pouch is an integral part of the Silent Knight system and users are cautioned against using non-medical use pouches, soufflé cups, or automated medication dispenser packaging. Use of the Silent Knight pouch is important since cross contamination with other medications and loss of medication due to tears and punctures can be critical to care.

The Silent Knight pouch is also designed to make it easy to insert tablets and pour the crushed medication cleanly and completely from the pouch. It's been demonstrated that tablet medications crushed in a Silent Knight pouch will yield powdered medication with little depletion in net dosage.

**System Warranty:** The Silent Knight crusher is warranted for life and any worn or damaged crushers will be replaced, at no charge, to those using the Silent Knight crusher and pouch system. To insure all benefits, be sure to look for the Silent Knight name on the tablet pouch.

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**COMMONLY  
CRUSHED  
TABLET FORM  
MEDICATIONS\***

**Based on Interviews with several Nursing Homes, the following medications, in tablet form, are known to be crushed in those facilities on a regular basis.**

**DISCLAIMER:  
This information is provided only as a courtesy and Links Medical Products, Inc. makes no recommendation or endorsement as to the accuracy of this information, the use of these medications or appropriateness for crushing.**

**It is each institutions responsibility, in consultation with a pharmacist, to determine which medications are appropriate to crush.**

Actos	Macrochantin
Aldomet	Metformin
Altace	Methadone
Amaryl	Metoprolol
Amoxicillin	Mobic
Aricept	Multi-Vitamin w/Minerals
ASA	Neurontin
Aspirin-uncoated	Nitrofurantoin
Atenolol	Novavasc
Avandia	OS-Cal
Avapro	w/vitamin D
Baclofen	calcium
Cardizem	Pepcid
Catapress	Plavix
Celebrex	Pletal
Citracal	Prednisone
Claritin	Prevacid
Clonidine	Reglon
Copressor	Remeron
Coreg	Restoril
Cozaar	Rolaids
Detrol	Sinemet
Digitek	Singular
Digoxin	Spiriva
Dilantin	Synthroid
Diovan	Tegretol
Enalapril	Timolol
w/felodipine	Topamax
Enalapril w/Hctz	Travaton
Folic Acid	Tretanol
Glimepiride	Tums
Glipizide	Tylenol
Glucophage	Tylenol Extra
Glucotrol	Strength
Glyburide	Vaseretic
Hctz	Vicodin
Hydroxyzine	Vitamin B
Isordil	Vitamin C
Isosorbide	Vitamin D
Lanoxin	Xalatan
Lasix	Zaroxolyn
Levothyroxine	Zestril
Levoxyl	Zocor
Lexxel	
Lipitor	
Lisinopril	
Lopressor	
Lotensin	

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**Always consult a pharmacist before crushing any tablet.**