

# meal time insulin calculations

total meal time insulin = meal bolus + correction dose

## step 1: meal bolus calculation

- know your **Insulin to Carbohydrate ratio (ICR)**:

1 unit of insulin for every \_\_\_\_ grams of carbs

- **count your carbohydrates:**

total amount of carbohydrates in my meal: \_\_\_\_ g

- **meal bolus calculation:**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{meal bolus} &= \frac{\text{total amount of carbs in meal}}{\text{amount of insulin needed to cover each gram of CARB}} \\ &= \frac{\boxed{\phantom{000}}}{\boxed{\phantom{000}}} \\ &= \boxed{\phantom{000}} \text{ UNITS} \end{aligned}$$

## step 2: correction dose calculation

- ✓ only use a correction dose if your pre-meal blood sugar is above \_\_\_\_ mmol/L.
- X if your pre-meal blood sugar is below the number listed above, you DO NOT need a correction dose.

- **know your Insulin Sensitivity Factor (ISF):** \_\_\_\_  
(1 unit of insulin lowers my blood sugar by \_\_\_\_ mmol/L)

- **know your pre-meal blood sugar Target:** \_\_\_\_ mmol/L

- **calculate your correction dose:**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{correction dose} &= \frac{\text{pre-meal blood sugar} - \text{target blood sugar}}{\text{ISF}} \\ &= \frac{\boxed{\phantom{000}} - \boxed{\phantom{000}}}{\boxed{\phantom{000}}} \\ &= \boxed{\phantom{000}} \text{ UNITS} \end{aligned}$$

**total meal time insulin**

=

**meal bolus**

+

**correction dose**

UNITS

=

UNITS of MEAL TIME insulin