

Exercise Challenge Test

Examples of Medications to Withhold

Short-Acting Beta₂-Agonist Bronchodilators (SABA)

Relax tight muscles in airways and offer quick relief of symptoms such as coughing, wheezing and shortness of breath for 3-6 hours.

Medication Name	Recommended Withholding Time (Hours)
ProAir® Digihaler, 117 mcg albuterol sulfate	6
ProAir® HFA, 110 mcg albuterol sulfate	6
ProAir RespiClick®, 117 mcg albuterol sulfate inhalation powder	6
Proventil® HFA, 120 mcg albuterol sulfate	6
Ventolin® HFA, 90 mcg albuterol sulfate	6
Xopenex HFA®, 59 mcg levalbuterol tartrate	6

Long-Acting Beta₂-Agonist Bronchodilators (LABA)

Relax tight muscles in airways and offer lasting relief of symptoms such as coughing, wheezing and shortness of breath for at least 12 hours.

Medication Name	Recommended Withholding Time
	(Hours)
Arcapta™ Neohaler™, 75 mcg indacaterol inhalation powder	36
Serevent® Diskus®, 50 mcg salmeterol xinafoate inhalation powder	36
Striverdi® Respimat®, 2.5 mcg olodaterol hydrochloride	36

Long-Acting Beta₂-Agonist Bronchodilators (LABA) combined with Inhaled Corticosteroids

Medication Name	Recommended Withholding Time (Hours)
Advair Diskus®, 100/50, 250/50, 500/50 mcg fluticasone propionate and salmeterol inhalation powder	36
Advair® HFA, 45/21, 115/21, 230/21 mcg fluticasone propionate and salmeterol xinafoate	36
AirDuo™ Respiclick®, 55/14, 113/14, 232/14 mcg fluticasone propionate and	36
salmeterol inhalation powder Wixela™ Inhub™, 100/50, 250/50, 500/50 mcg fluticasone propionate and	36
salmeterol xinafoate (approved generic of Advair Diskus) Breo® Ellipta®, 100/25, 200/25 mcg fluticasone furoate and vilanterol	36
inhalation powder Dulera®, 100/5, 200/5 mcg mometasone furoate and formoterol fumarate	36
dehydrate Symbicort®, 80/4.5, 160/4.5 mcg budesonide and formoterol fumarate	36
dehydrate	30



Long-Acting Beta₂-Agonist Bronchodilators (LABA) combined with Long Acting Muscarinic Antagonist (LAMA)

Medication Name	Recommended Withholding Time (Hours)
Anoro® Ellipta®, 62.5/25 mcg umeclidinium and vilanerol inhalation powder	36
Bevespi Aerosphere®, 9/4.8 mcg glycopyrrolate and formoterol fumarate	36
Stiolto™ Respimat®, 2.5/2.5 mcg tiotropium bromide and olodaterol	36
Utibron™ Neohaler®, 27.5/15.6 mcg indacaterol and glycopyrrolate	36
inhalation powder	

Long-Acting Beta₂-Agonist Bronchodilators (LABA) combined with Inhaled Corticosteroids and Long Acting Muscarinic Antagonist (LAMA)

Medication Name	Recommended Withholding Time (Hours)
Trelegy® Ellipta®, 100/62.5, 5/25 mcg fluticasone furoate, umeclidinium and vilanterol inhalation powder	48

Short-Acting Anticholinergic

Relieve cough, sputum production, wheeze and chest tightness associated with chronic lung diseases

Medication Name	Recommended Withholding Time (Hours)
Atrovent®, HFA 17 mcg ipratropium bromide	12

Short-Acting Anticholinergic combined with Short-Acting Beta₂-Agonist Bronchodilators (SABA)

Contains muscarinic anticholinergic and beta₂-agonist

Medication Name	Recommended Withholding Time (Hours)
Combivent® Respimat®, 200/100 mcg ipratropium bromide and albuterol	12

Long-Acting Anticholinergic

Medication Name	Recommended Withholding Time (Hours)
Incruse® Ellipta®, 62.5 mcg umeclidinium inhalation powder	48
Seebri™ Neohaler®, 15.6 mcg glycopyrrolate inhalation powder	48
Spiriva® HandiHaler®, 18 mcg tiotropium bromide inhalation powder	48
Spiriva® Respimat®, 1.25, 2.5 mcg tiotropium bromide	48
Tudorza™ Pressair™, 400 mcg aclidinium bromide inhalation powder	48



Short-Acting Antihistamines

Medication Name	Recommended Withholding Time (Hours)
Benadryl, diphenhydramine	48

Long-Acting Antihistamines

Medication Name	Recommended Withholding Time (Hours)
Hismanal, astemizole	72 (3 days)
Zyrtec, cetirizine	72 (3 days)
Clarinex, desloratidine	72 (3 days)
Allegra, fexofenadine	72 (3 days)