

Which needle is right for you?

12mm 30G 'Nevershare'

Designed for injecting into surface veins.

12mm 29G 'Insulin'

Widely used for injecting into the small veins in the arms, legs, hands and feet.

12mm 27G 'Grey'

A slightly thinner and shorter alternative to the 'short orange'. Widely used for injecting into the smaller veins in the arms, legs, hands and feet.

16mm 25G 'Short Orange'

It is mainly used for injecting into the arms, legs, hands and feet. Some groin injectors may be able to use this needle to reach the vein. Great care must be taken to avoid bending or movement which could cause breakage.

25mm 25G 'Long Orange'

This needle is too long to use in surface veins. It can be used to inject into deep veins and is less damaging than the long blue or green needles.

Note: There is increased risk of snapping with this needle, so take care not to move during injection. Don't use it if you have a lot of scar tissue to push through.

30mm 23G 'Long Blue'

Some injectors use this needle to groin inject, however, it is better to use the 25mm 25G Long Orange needle, as it will create a smaller hole and cause less damage to the vein.

40mm 21G 'Long Green'

Used by some to reach femoral vein (in the groin) that has been pushed back by years of repeated injecting. Using this needle will cause further damage to the tissue and serious damage to the vein, which can cause circulation problems in the legs and feet.

Thinking of Stopping?

At IRiS we can support you to get into treatment. We have a drop-in Monday – Friday 12.30pm until 4pm. This is held at 38 Queens Road, Reading, RG1 4AU. No appointment is necessary.

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