



# Get Started

Your Guide to the FreeStyle Libre 2 System





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# Welcome

# **Meet the FreeStyle** Libre 2 System

Check your glucose with a painless,<sup>1</sup>1-second scan instead of a fingerstick.\* Understand how your body responds to treatment, food, and exercise. See patterns and trends and customize optional,<sup>†</sup> real-time alarms for lows and highs. Share insights with healthcare providers. Get the complete picture of your glucose levels, not just a moment in time.

## **1** Applicator

Used to apply the sensor

#### 2 Sensor Circle sensor worn on the back of the upper arm

Has a thin, flexible filament that is painlessly<sup>1</sup> inserted iust under the skin

**3 Handheld reader** Used to scan and

see data

Congratulations on your new FreeStyle Libre 2 system! Whether you're new to using a continuous glucose monitoring system (CGM) or need a refresher, this guide is for you. Inside, you'll find tips for getting the most out of your CGM system to help manage your diabetes.

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# **3 Steps to Apply Sensor**

Sensors stick better when you wash, clean, and dry your arm before application.

#### 01 Wash, Clean, and Dry

Select a site on the back of your upper arm that stays flat during normal activity. Clean skin with non-moisturizing, fragrancefree soap and water. Use an alcohol wipe to disinfect the skin and let air dry before proceeding.





### **O2** Prep Applicator

Open sensor by peeling back the lid. Unscrew cap from the sensor applicator. Line up marks on the sensor applicator. Press down firmly and then lift.

# **O3** Apply

Apply the sensor to the back of your upper arm by pressing firmly. Listen for the click. Wait for a few seconds and pull back slowly, leaving the sensor on the skin.



Get support and information at FreeStyleLibre.us



## Parent Tip

Because kids have smaller arms, it can be challenging to find a new sensor application spot. Make sure to rotate the site to allow skin to fully heal. Switching arms each time can help.

# **Tips to Help Keep** Your Sensor in Place

### The FreeStyle Libre 2 system is designed to stay on for up to 14 days.

- Apply sensor to different sites on the back of the upper arm each time to avoid irritating your skin.
- Avoid placing sensor on moles, scars, stretch marks, and lumps. Shave hair on arm, if necessary.

Some people use the following products for extra stickiness and protection:\*



### Torbot Skin Tac<sup>™</sup>

Hypoallergenic and latex-free "tacky" skin barrier

## **Skin-Prep<sup>™</sup> Protective Barrier Wipe**

Protective liquid dressing that allows skin to breathe so tapes and films adhere better



### **Over-bandage**<sup>+</sup>

Be sure to use only medical-grade adhesive, bandage, or tape. Apply and remove at the same time you apply or remove your sensor. Leave the opening/hole over the center of the sensor uncovered so it can breathe.



## Parent Tip

for your child. Try an over-bandage for active kids.

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<sup>†</sup>Over-bandage must be applied at the time of sensor application, the opening/hole in the center of the sensor must not be covered. Additional medical grade bandages/tape can be applied but do not remove bandages/tape once applied until sensor is ready for removal.

• Secure sensor by pressing it down and running your finger along the sensor adhesive.





### Tegaderm I.V.™

A transparent film that provides adhesive strength





#### Mastisol<sup>®</sup> Liquid Adhesive

Clear, non-irritating, nonwater-soluble liquid adhesive

# Experiment with the approved products for extra stickiness that work

# **4 Steps to Activate Sensor**

Follow these steps to be ready to get readings in about one hour.

# **Scanning Tips**

The more you scan, the more you know about your glucose levels.



Alarms<sup>+</sup> are on by default. For more information on customizing alarms, go to page 11.

# How to Scan **Your Sensor**

Hold your reader within 1.5 inches of your sensor to scan right through your clothes.\*



\*The reader can capture data from the sensor when it is within 1 cm to 4 cm of the sensor. \*Notifications will only be received when alarms are turned on and the sensor is within 20 feet of the reading device.

**Daily Graph** (mg/dL)**Scan Frequently** Remember to scan at least once every 8 hours to avoid gaps in your daily graph. The more you scan, the more complete picture of your glucose levels you and your doctor have to help manage your diabetes. 22 Feb Wednesday FreeStyle Libre 2 Parent Tip Work with school staff to implement Abbott the daily scanning schedule set by your child's healthcare provider.

## **Key Times to Scan**



**Before & After Meals or Snacks** 



**Before & After Exercise and Sporting Events** 



**Before Sleep and After Waking Up** 



When You Feel Low Glucose Symptoms



# **Understand Your Sensor Glucose Readings**

# Learn from Your Data

Access reports on the FreeStyle Libre 2 reader.



### **Sensor Glucose Screen**

This screen shows your current glucose reading and a trend arrow. With trend arrows, you can monitor the direction your glucose is heading. **Tip:** Trend arrows may not always appear (see Check Glucose Symbol below).

Current reading	What trend arrows mean:
110 个	<b>Glucose is rising quickly</b> (more than 2 mg/dL per minute)
110 7	<b>Glucose is rising</b> (between 1 and 2 mg/dL per minute)
110 →	<b>Glucose is changing slowly</b> (less than 1 mg/dL per minute)
110 🖌	<b>Glucose is falling</b> (between 1 and 2 mg/dL per minute)
110 🔸	<b>Glucose is falling quickly</b> (more than 2 mg/dL per minute)

### **Check Glucose Symbol**

When you see this symbol during the first 12 hours of wearing a Sensor, confirm Sensor glucose readings with a blood glucose test before making treatment decisions.

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**READER SYMBOL** 

Other times when you need to do a blood glucose test:

- If you think your glucose readings are not correct
- If your glucose readings do not match how you feel
- If the reading does not include a current glucose number

A1c values are useful because they measure your average glucose level over the past three months. It's helpful to look back at how you are managing your diabetes. But a normal A1c doesn't mean your glucose is within your target range today. It doesn't show your highs and lows or how your glucose levels change throughout the day. This is where **Time in Range** can help.



## 🗈 LibreView

Share your glucose data with your healthcare provider using a secure, cloud-based diabetes management system. It's easy to get started. Create a LibreView\* account and link your account to your healthcare provider. Connect your FreeStyle Libre 2 reader to your computer and follow the on-screen instructions to upload data.

#### Visit LibreView.com for more information.

**Time in Range** is the percentage of time your glucose values stay within your target glucose range. You work with your healthcare provider to determine a target range goal. Your progress is then tracked in a **Time In Target** report.

Above Target Range (>180 mg/dL)

Target Glucose Range (70-180 mg/dL)

Below Target Range (<70 mg/dL)

Learn more about Time In Target and other reports like Daily Patterns and Low Glucose Events at FreeStyleLibre.us.

# **Use Alarms for Extra Safety**

The FreeStyle Libre 2 system has optional, real-time alarms\* to help keep you safe, even at night. Alarms are on by default and can be customized. Alarms feature preset tones, a vibration option, and adjustable volume. To receive alarms, your reader should be turned on, within 20 feet of you, and unobstructed at all times. If your reader is out of range of your sensor, you may not receive glucose alarms.

# **Customize Alarms**

Alarms are easy<sup>1</sup> to set based on your target glucose goals.

### Here's how to customize your alarms. They are optional and on by default.\*

#### **Touch the Settings<sup>2</sup> symbol** 01



**02** Touch Alarms then **Change Alarm Settings** 

**03** Use arrows to set Low and High Glucose Alarms<sup>3</sup>-



## Parent Tip

Know your child's glucose levels are being safely monitored with customizable alarms.

\*Notifications will only be received when alarms are turned on and the sensor is within 20 feet of the reading device. Reference: 1. Data on file. Abbott Diabetes Care. 2. Please see the FreeStyle Libre 2 User's Manual for complete instructions. 3. 70 mg/dL is the default Low Glucose Alarm level and can be set between 60-100 mg/dL. 240 mg/dL is the default High Glucose Alarm level and can be set between 120-400 mg/dL.



### Alarm

Get an alarm from the FreeStyle Libre 2 reader when your glucose is too low or too high. You also receive an alarm when the reader has lost contact with the sensor for more than 20 minutes.\*

### Scan

Scan your FreeStyle Libre 2 sensor to see your glucose reading, trend arrow, and 8-hour history.

### Act

Use your results to make treatment decisions.



To learn more about alarms, visit FreeStyleLibre.us.





# **Tips for Wearing Your Sensor**

Some good-to-know ideas about using CGM throughout your day.



**Clothing:**\* Scan right through your clothes. Be careful when placing or removing clothing so as not to dislodge or loosen the sensor.

#### Showering, bathing, and

swimming:\* Sensor is waterresistant. Do not submerge more than 3 feet (1 meter) or keep under water longer than 30 minutes at a time. Gently pat dry after getting it wet.

**Exercising:** Use skin adhesive if sweating loosens sensor. Try an over-bandage if playing contact sports.

**Traveling:** System is safe to use while on an aircraft. Do not expose the sensor to airport full-body scanners. Request another type of screening to avoid removing your sensor.

Medical procedures: Notify your healthcare provider and remove your sensor when necessary. Exposing the sensor to MRI, CT scan, diathermy, or X-ray may cause damage and incorrect readings.

# **Remove & Replace Sensor**

The sensor is designed to stay on for up to 14 days. Here's how to remove, replace, and properly dispose of system components.



**Sensor disposal:** The sensor should be disposed of in accordance with all applicable local regulations related to the disposal of electronic equipment, batteries, sharps, and materials potentially exposed to body fluids. Contact Customer Care (855-632-8658) for more information.

## Products that can be helpful for removal but are optional:\*

- Baby Oil: Soft moisturizer
- **Remove™ Adhesive:** Removes adhesive residue on the skin
- UNI-SOLVE™ Adhesive Remover: Formulated to reduce adhesive trauma to the skin by thoroughly dissolving dressing

for use of each product should be followed

### **Remove Sensor**

Your reader will alert you when it's time to remove the sensor. Pull up the adhesive edge that keeps the sensor attached to your skin. Then slowly peel from your skin in a single motion.

### **Replace Sensor**

Remember to choose a different spot on the back of your upper arm to apply the new sensor. This will help avoid skin irritation. See page 4 for application instructions.



### Parent Tip

Because kids have smaller arms, it can be challenging to find a new application site. Try switching arms with each new sensor.

# **The CGM Difference**

CGM readings can be different then Blood Glucose Monitor (BGM) readings but are proven to be accurate.<sup>1</sup> CGM readings can be used for treatment decisions.\*

### CGM measures interstitial fluid glucose not blood glucose.

CGM Sensor

# **Different and Accurate**

CGM systems give you a look at where your glucose levels were, where they are currently, and where they're headed.

You can trust your sensor glucose numbers and feel confident in your results to make treatment decisions. The FreeStyle Libre 2 system is approved for insulin dosing without fingersticks.\*\*

**Glucose Is Stable** 

### CGM and BGM

readings are often similar when stable.

Blood glucose readings are taken from blood with fingersticks.



Skin Laver

Glucose enters your bloodstream first before it enters the interstitial fluid.

### There are times when your CGM and BGM readings may be different.

These include when:

- Your glucose is changing rapidly; scan shows a trend arrow (see diagram, page 8)
- Your fingers were not washed before you performed a fingerstick test
- You took more than 500 mg of vitamin C (ascorbic acid)
- Blood glucose strips were expired or contaminated
- The fingerstick check and sensor scan were not performed at the same time
- It is the first day wearing your sensor
- The sensor was bumped and is not firmly attached to the back of your upper arm

CGM CGM BGM

\*Fingersticks are required for treatment decisions when you see Check Blood Glucose symbol, when symptoms do not match system readings, when you suspect readings may be inaccurate, or when you experience symptoms that may be due to high or low blood glucose. Reference: 1. FreeStyle Libre 2 User's Manual

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### **Difference Between CGM and BGM Readings**



# **Questions?**

We're here for you. If you would like more information or have additional questions about the FreeStyle Libre 2 system, please contact our Customer Service Team or visit our website for more information and useful resources.



#### Indications and Important Safety Information

The FreeStyle Libre 2 Flash Glucose Monitoring System is a continuous glucose monitoring (CGM) device with real time alarms capability indicated for the management of diabetes in persons age 4 and older.\*

#### WARNINGS/LIMITATIONS\*

The System must not be used with automated insulin dosing (AID) systems, including closed loop and insulin suspend systems. Remove the sensor before MRI, CT scan, X-ray, or diathermy treatment. Do not take high doses of vitamin C (more than 500 mg per day), as this may falsely raise your sensor readings. Failure to use the System according to the instructions for use may result in missing a severe low blood glucose or high blood glucose event and/or making a treatment decision that may result in injury. If glucose alarms and readings from the System do not match symptoms or expectations, use a fingerstick blood glucose value to make diabetes treatment decisions. Seek medical attention when appropriate and contact Abbott Toll Free (855-632-8658) or visit www.freestylelibre.us for detailed indications for use and safety information.

\*Please refer to www.freestylelibre.us for the indications and important safety information.

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