

Unacceptable Abbreviations

Prohibited Abbreviation Symbol / Acronym / Other	Reason Abbreviation/ Symbol/ Acronym/ Dose Designation Should NOT Be Used	Recommendation to Use
		Never use a trailing zero (such as: “1 mg” or “1.5 mg”)
		Always use a leading zero (such as: “0.1 mg”)
		Spell out “units”
		Spell out “units” or “International Units”
		<u>Write out:</u> Daily Every Other Day
	Mistaken as Magnesium Sulfate	Write Morphine
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<p><u>Please Note:</u> An abbreviation on the “do not use” list should not be used in any of its forms - upper or lower case; with or without punctuation</p>		