

## How to Perform a Quality Control Test

## You should perform a quality control test:

- To familiarize yourself with operation of the meter before first using it
- Before using a new box of test strips
- When you suspect the meter or test strips are not working properly
- At least once a week

- When you suspect the test results are inaccurate or inconsistent with how the patient feels
- When you suspect the meter is damaged
- After cleaning the meter
- According to the guidelines of your institution

 Insert a test strip into the strip port, contact bars end first and facing up. It will turn on the meter and display all the display segments. If the audio option is on, the meter will beep, signaling the meter is turned on.

Note: If the test strip has been inserted incorrectly, the meter will not turn on.

 Press the left (◄) button to mark the test as a control solution test. The control solution symbol will appear on the display.



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2. Following a display check, the system will enter the test mode. The display will show the date, time and the strip icon with the blood sample icon blinking to indicate that the test strip is inserted correctly.



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4. Shake the control solution bottle well. Dispense and discard the first drop. Dispense a second small drop on a clean nonabsorbent surface. Touch the sample tip of the test strip to the control solution drop. If the audio option is turned on, the meter will beep to indicate a sufficient sample has been applied.



5. Once a sufficient sample has been applied, the meter display will count down from 3 to 1. Then the result and a control solution symbol will be displayed on the screen.



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6. Compare your result to the control range printed on the test strips vial label for the control solution used (CTRL 0, CTRL 1, or CTRL 2).



