

Formulary Listings for Diabetes Medications in Canada

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Class	Drug (brand name)	BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	QC	NB	NS	PE	NL	NIHB/NT/NU	YK	
Alpha-glucosidase inhibitor	acarbose (<i>Glucobay</i>)	NL	L	L	L	R	L	R	L	L	R	L	L	
Sodium glucose co-transporter 2 inhibitors (SGLT2)	canagliflozin (<i>Invokana</i>)	NL	NL	NL	NL	R	R	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	
	Dapagliflozin (<i>Forxiga</i>)	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	
	Empagliflozin (<i>Jardiance</i>)	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	
Incretin agent	DPP-4 inhibitor sitagliptin (<i>Januvia</i>)	DL	R	R	R	L	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	
	Saxagliptin (<i>Onglyza</i>)	R	R	R	R	L	L	NL	NL	R	NL	R	NL	
	linagliptin (<i>Trajenta</i>)	R	R	R	R	L	R	R	R	R	R	R	NL	
	alogliptin (<i>Nesina</i>)	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	R	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	
	GLP-1 agonist liraglutide (<i>Victoza</i>)	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	R	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	
	exenatide (<i>Byetta</i>)	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	
Insulin	Rapid-acting analogues aspart (<i>NovoRapid</i>)	L*	L	R	L	R	L	R	R	L	R	L	L	
	<i>NovoMix 30</i>	L*	NL	NL	NL	L	R	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	L	
	Glulisine (<i>Apidra</i>)	L*	L	L	L	L	L	R	R	L	R	L	L	
	lispro (<i>Humalog</i>)	L*	L	L	L	L	L	R	R	L	R	L	L	
	<i>Humalog Mix 50/50</i>	L*	L	NL	NL	L	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	L	NL	
	<i>Humalog Mix 75/25</i>	L*	L	NL	L	L	R	NL	NL	L	NL	L	NL	
	Insulins, Regular	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	
	Pork <i>Hypurin Regular, Hypurin NPH</i>	R	NL	L	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	
	Long-acting basal analogues detemir (<i>Levemir</i>)	R	L	L	R	L	R	R	R	R	R	R	L	R
	Glargine (<i>Lantus</i>)	R	L	L	R	L	R	R	R	R	R	L	R	

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Antihypoglycemic	glucagon	L	L	L	L	L	L	NL	L	R	NL	L	L
Insulin secretagogues	Sulfonylureas gliclazide (Diamicon, Diamicon MR)	R	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L
	glimepiride (Amaryl)	NL	NL	NL	R	L	R	L	NL	L	L	NL	NL
	glyburide (Diabeta, Euglucon)	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L
	tolbutamide	L	NL	L	L	NL	L	L	L	L	L	L	NL
	Meglitinides Nateglinide (Starlix)	NL	NL	R	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	L	NL
	Repaglinide (GlucosNorm)	L	L	R	R	NL	R	R	NL	NL	R	L	L
Biguanide	Metformin (Glucophage, Glumetza)	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L
Glitazones	pioglitazone (Actos)	R	R	R	R	NL	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
	rosiglitazone (Avandia)	L	R	R	L	NL	R	NL	NL	R	NL	R	R
Combined Formulations	metformin & rosiglitazone (Avandamet)	L	R	R	NL	NL	R	NL	NL	R	NL	NL	NL
	glimepiride & rosiglitazone (Avandaryl)	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL
	sitagliptin & metformin (Janumet)	DL	L	R	R	L	R	R	R	R	R	R	NL
	Linagliptin & Metformin (Jentadueto)	R	NL	R	R	L	R	NL	NL	NL	R	NL	NL
	Saxagliptin & Metformin (Komboglyze)	R	NL	NL	R	NL	R	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL
	Alogliptin & Metformin (Kazano)	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	R	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL

(L) Listed: Can be prescribed by any doctor. Cost will be fully or partially covered according to the terms of the public drug plan.

(R) Restricted: Only available to those who meet eligibility criteria and receive prior approval from the drug benefit plan. Cost will be fully or partially covered according to the terms of the public drug plan.

(NL) Not Listed: Not available through the public drug plan.

(DL) Delisted: Product has been removed from the formulary and is no longer available

* BC Pharmacare provides partial reimbursement for rapid-acting insulins and patients must pay the difference