

Appendix to Rule 4123-6-21.5

Opiate Weaning Schedule	
Daily MED (mg)	Weaning Period (Days)
<60	N/A
60 - 120	30
121 - 180	60
181 - 260	60
261 - 340	60
341 - 440	60
441 - 640	90
641 - 740	90
741 - 840	90
840 - 1000	90
1001 - 1200	120
1201 - 1400	120
1401 - 1600	150
1601 - 1800	150
1801 - 2200	180
>2200	180

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Based on Total Daily Mg MED for both long and short acting opiates

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Benzodiazepine Weaning Table					
Drug Type	Generic Drug Name	Brand Names (example)	Daily Dose	Weaning Period for BWC Orders (based on daily dose)	Maximum Weaning Period (Days)
Short Acting	Alprazolam	Xanax®	>4mg	90 days plus 30 days for every 1mg above 4mg	180
			2-4mg	30 days plus 30 days for every 1mg above 2mg	90
			>1<2mg	30 days	30
			</= 1mg	No weaning period	N/A
Short Acting	Lorazepam	Ativan®	>8mg	90 days plus 30 days for every 1mg above 8mg	180
			4-8mg	30 days plus 30 days for every 1mg above 4mg	90
			>2<4mg	30 days	30
			</= 2mg	No weaning period	N/A
Short Acting	Oxazepam	Serax®	>120mg	90 days plus 30 days for every 30mg above 120mg	180
			60-120mg	30 days plus 30 days for every 30mg above 60mg	90
			>15<60mg	30 days	30
			</=15mg	No weaning period	N/A
Long Acting	Diazepam	Valium®	>40mg	90 days plus 30 days for every 10mg above 40mg	180
			20-40mg	30 days plus 30 days for every 10mg above 20mg	90
			10-20mg	30 days	30
			<10mg	No weaning period	N/A
Long Acting	Chlordiazepoxide	Librium®	>100mg	90 days plus 30 days for every 25mg above 100mg	180
			50-100mg	30 days plus 30 days for every 25mg above 50mg	90
			>30<50mg	30 days	30
			</=30mg	No weaning period	N/A
Long Acting	Clonazepam	Klonopin®	>4mg	90 days plus 30 days for every 1mg above 4mg	180
			2-4mg	30 days plus 30 days for every 1mg above 2mg	90
			>1<2mg	30 days	30
			>/= 1mg	No weaning period	N/A
Long Acting	Clorazepate	Tranxene®	>30mg	90 days plus 30 days for every 7.5mg above 30mg	180
			15-30mg	30 days plus 30 days for every 7.5mg above 15mg	90
			>7.5<15mg	30 days	30
			</= 7.5mg	No weaning period	N/A

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