

GIVING INSULIN INJECTIONS

** Note – if the patient has not eaten or has only eaten a little, DO NOT give the insulin. Alert a doctor.*

1. Remove the insulin bottle from the fridge immediately before treatment
2. Gently rotate or roll the insulin bottle to mix the contents—do not shake it!
3. Draw up the exact dose prescribed, and remove any air bubbles by gently tapping the side of the syringe (see picture below), and expelling air with the plunger



4. gently raise a tent of skin using the non-injection hand



5. inject by entering the skin at an angle between 20 and 45 degrees from the horizontal, into the center of the raised skin



6. rub your hand over the area to feel for moistness—if you feel wet, this means your injection did not enter the subcutaneous tissues as prescribed. If you are unsure on the amount given, call the veterinarian on call.