

- Useful for administration of bronchodilator when testing reversibility in the surgery to establish the diagnosis of asthma.
- Reduced prescribing costs if improved delivery to the lungs results in a step down of ICS dose.

## Use and Care of Spacers

- Spacers should be compatible with the pMDI being used.
- Ensure the patient knows how to use, and care for, their spacer correctly.
- Administer the drug by repeated single actuations into the spacer, each followed by inhalation. Ensure the inhaler is shaken before each actuation and wait 30 seconds if two doses have been prescribed.
- Ensure minimal delay between pMDI actuation and inhalation.

- Tidal breathing (five breaths) is as effective as single deep breaths.
- Clean the spacer monthly. Some manufacturers' state weekly but this may increase static charge (unless antistatic spacer) and affect performance.
- Plastic spacers should be replaced at least every 12 months, but some may need changing at six months.

The [RIGHTBREATHE](#) website gives comprehensive technical and compatibility information for each Spacer. The following table lists Spacers available to prescribe within **Part IX of the Drug Tariff**.

To check the full list of spacers which are available with and without masks, and their sizes please consult the latest **Drug Tariff Part IXA** Spacer/Holding/Chamber Devices.

Brand	Company	Basic Price	Discount available from		
			PSUK	Alliance	AAH
A2A Spacer	Clement Clarke	4.15	y	y	y
Able Spacer	Clement Clarke	4.39	y	y	y
AeroChamber Plus	Trudell Medical	5.21			
AeroChamber Plus Flow-Vu Anti-Static *	Trudell Medical	5.22			y
AeroChamber Plus Flow-Vu Anti-Static youth *	Trudell Medical	5.22			y
Antistatic Space Chamber Plus *	Medical Developments	4.45		y	
Antistatic Space Chamber Plus Compact *	Medical Developments	4.45		y	
EasyChamber Spacer *	TriOn Pharma Ltd	3.98	y	y	y
Free Breath Spacer	MediQuest Ltd	4.50	y		
OptiChamber	Respironics (UK)	4.28			
OptiChamber Diamond	Respironics (UK)	4.49			
Pocket Chamber	nSpire Health Ltd	4.18			
Rossmax Anti-Static Aero Spacer *	Syringa UK Ltd	4.20			
Space Chamber Plus	Medical Developments	4.26		y	
Space Chamber Plus Compact	Medical Developments	4.26		y	
Volumatic	GlaxoSmithKline	3.88			
e-Chamber La Grande Spacer	Bird Healthcare Ltd	4.45			
e-Chamber La Petite Spacer	Bird Healthcare Ltd	4.35			
zerostat VT spacer *	Cipla Europe NV	4.26			

\*= Anti-Static Spacer

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The following Spacers are available with masks: The Drug Tariff Part IX lists all prescribable Spacers including the AVHCs. To obtain clarification on the discounts available on the below, please contact the suppliers directly.

SPACER/HOLDING CHAMBER DEVICES		Price
A2A Spacer with small or medium mask	Clement Clarke	668
Able Spacer with either small (infant) or medium (child) mask	Clement Clarke	716
AeroChamber Plus with adult, child or infant face mask	Trudell Medical UK Ltd	869
AeroChamber Plus Flow-Vu Anti-Static with small mask for infants (0-18 months)	Trudell Medical UK Ltd	872
AeroChamber Plus Flow-Vu Anti-Static with medium mask for children (1-5 years)	Trudell Medical UK Ltd	872
AeroChamber Plus Flow-Vu Anti-Static with adult small mask	Trudell Medical UK Ltd	872
AeroChamber Plus Flow-Vu Anti-Static with adult large mask	Trudell Medical UK Ltd	872
Antistatic Space Chamber Plus with small mask	Medical Developments	758
Antistatic Space Chamber Plus with medium mask	Medical Developments	758
Antistatic Space Chamber Plus with large mask	Medical Developments	758
Antistatic Space Chamber Plus Compact with small mask	Medical Developments	758
Antistatic Space Chamber Plus Compact with medium mask	Medical Developments	758
Antistatic Space Chamber Plus Compact with large mask	Medical Developments	758
EasyChamber Spacer with infant mask	TriOn Pharma Ltd	653
EasyChamber Spacer with child mask	TriOn Pharma Ltd	655
EasyChamber Spacer with adult mask	TriOn Pharma Ltd	659
e-Chamber La Petite Spacer with mask	Bird Healthcare Ltd	650
Free Breath Spacer with removable adult, child or infant face mask	MediQuest Ltd	720
OptiChamber Diamond with small LiteTouch mask (0-18 months)	Respironics (UK) Ltd	749
OptiChamber Diamond with medium LiteTouch mask (1-5 years)	Respironics (UK) Ltd	749
OptiChamber Diamond with large LiteTouch mask (5 years - adult)	Respironics (UK) Ltd	749
Pocket Chamber with infant, child, teenager or adult mask	nSpire Health Ltd	975
Rossmax Anti-Static Aero Spacer with small mask (0-18 months)	Syringa UK Ltd	540
Rossmax Anti-Static Aero Spacer with medium mask (1-5 years)	Syringa UK Ltd	540
Rossmax Anti-Static Aero Spacer with large mask (5 years - adult)	Syringa UK Ltd	540
Space Chamber Plus with small, medium or large mask	Medical Developments	710
Space Chamber Plus Compact with small, medium or large mask	Medical Developments	710
Volumatic paediatric with mask	GlaxoSmithKline UK Ltd	683

