

The charts displaying 'recommended dosage range' direct:

Start iv Syntocinon[®] at 1 - 4 mU/minute. Increase rate every 20 - 30 minutes by only 1 - 2 mU/minute until maximum 3 – 4 contractions in 10 minutes are obtained at least 60 seconds apart. **Time contractions by manual palpation.** Check foetal heart with Pinard's stethoscope especially after contractions lasting over 60 seconds.

Between clinical examinations use electrical foetal heart monitor. Try to settle the iv infusion at a steady rate or decrease the rate slightly for contractions at least 60 seconds apart. **Continue recording Syntocinon[®] infusion noting all times and rates.**

