25 Pumping Tips

Note: These are in no particular order. Take what works for you and leave what does not!

- 1. Pump for at least 15 mins, from each breast, and for each session
- 2. Play around with your pump settings. Remember the higher the setting doesn't mean more milk
- 3. Massage breasts for at least 3-5 mins before a pump session
- 4. Lean forward while pumping
- 5. Get a hands free bra
- 6. Always have good hygiene. Wash your hands and clean your area before pumping
- 7. Compress breasts at the later end of a pump session, rubbing/ massaging downwards towards the nipple with your thumb
- 8. Don't focus on pumping enough milk to fill the bottle
- 9. Make sure you are using the correct flange size
- 10. Buy a few extra pump part sets and bottles
- 11. Drink something warm right before a pump session
- 12. Don't forget to change your pump parts after time
- 13. Sterilize your breast pump parts before use
- 14. Relax as much as possible
- 15. Use coconut oil on nipples or put some in the flanges before you start pumping
- 16. Use a breast pump cushion
- 17. Cover the breast pump and flanges while pumping
- 18. Read a book, watch some tv, think baby thoughts while pumping
- 19. Make sure to read your breast pump manual before hand
- 20. Download a good pump app (Milk Stash is a good one)
- 21. Get you a multifunctional Pumping Bag
- 22. Always check for bacteria buildup or residue in breast pump tubing, parts, flanges etc
- 23. See if you qualify for replacement pump parts through your insurance
- 24. Pack a snack and some water
- 25. Don't watch the clock, set your timer instead

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