

## Continuous infusions: end bag and chart waste

### Quick reference guide

You will need to chart a waste in the following circumstances:

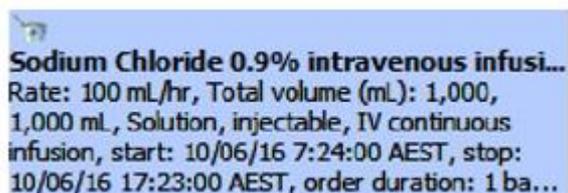
- When ceasing a narcotic infusion or commencing a new bag.
- To access the end bag task when it has fallen many hours into the future.
- To end a bag which will then enable you to commence any following bags.
- When accepting a patient transfer from PICU or ORS.

Remember a waste volume does not contribute to the fluid balance for the patient.

When an order is placed in ieMR, a bag volume is included within the order. The system will expect that the entire volume will be infused. This is not always the case as nursing staff may need to end the current bag and commence a subsequent order prior to the total volume being completed, for example, to facilitate a line change.

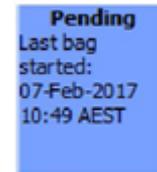
To chart waste against a **Continuous Infusion**, follow the steps below:

1. Click **MAR** from the **Menu**.
2. Locate the **Continuous Infusion** order in the **MAR**.



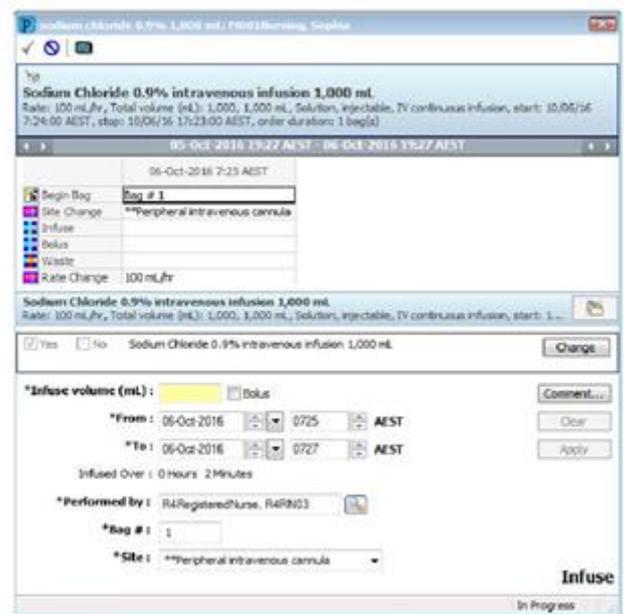
**Sodium Chloride 0.9% intravenous infusi...**  
Rate: 100 mL/hr, Total volume (mL): 1,000, 1,000 mL, Solution, injectable, IV continuous infusion, start: 10/06/16 7:24:00 AEST, stop: 10/06/16 17:23:00 AEST, order duration: 1 ba...

3. Select the pending box associated with the continuous infusion order you wish to document waste against.



**Pending**  
Last bag started:  
07-Feb-2017  
10:49 AEST

The **IV Administration** window will open.



The screenshot shows the IV Administration window for a Sodium Chloride 0.9% intravenous infusion. The window displays the order details, including the rate (100 mL/hr) and total volume (1,000 mL). The 'Waste' button is highlighted, and the 'Infuse' button is visible at the bottom right.

4. Select the  **Waste** icon.
5. Document waste in the **Wasted Volume** field:  
**\*Wasted volume (mL):**
6. Once entered, you may attach a comment if required by selecting **Comment...**.
7. Click **Apply**.
8. Click the  to sign off the documented waste.
9. **Refresh** the page.

The wasted volume will now populate in the result column.

100 mL Waste Auth (Verified)  
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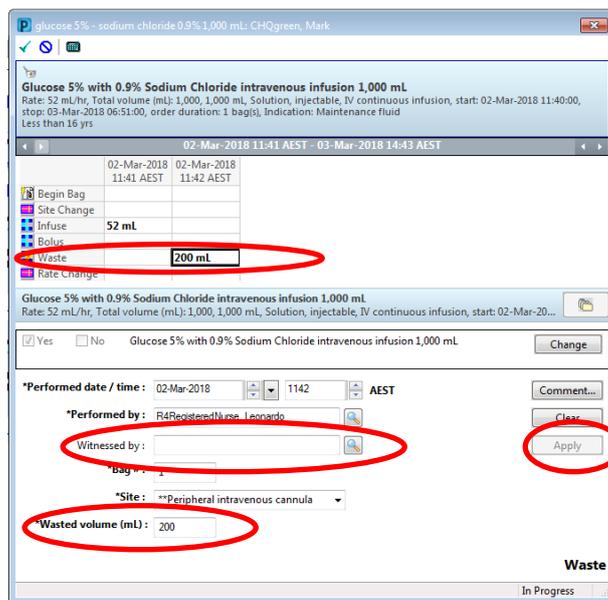
If you wish to end the bag:

10. Locate and click on the **end bag** task on the **MAR**.



11. The IV administration window will open and default to the infuse action. Enter the final infuse amount into the infuse volume field. If there was a volume of fluid that was not infused, document this in the waste field. If the infusion contained a controlled drug, ensure a witness signs in the witnessed by field to co-sign the wasted drug volume.

**Note:** If you have documented the hour of infused volume in **Interactive view**, enter Infused Volume as 0.



12. Click the green tick to save and sign. If your infusion order is a true continuous order, the charted order will remain on the **MAR** until ceased (you will be able to begin bag #2). If the order is a bag-by-bag order and has a duration of 1 bag, the order will fall as discontinued to the bottom of the **MAR**.

