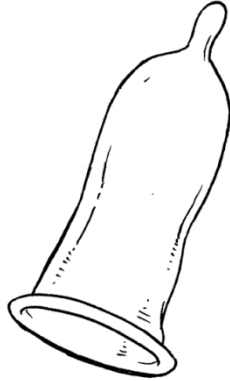


Condom

Fact Sheet



- ☒ Condoms are very good at preventing pregnancy, STDs, and HIV.
- ☒ Condoms are one of the easiest birth control methods to get. Condoms are sold at many drug stores, gas stations and clinics.
- ☒ A condom is like a very thin, very strong glove worn over the penis to catch semen.
- ☒ A condom is used by unrolling it over an erect penis, leaving the tip of the condom hanging off the end of the penis.
- ☒ A person should squeeze the tip of the condom to push out any air.
- ☒ When semen leaves the penis, it is caught in the condom.
- ☒ When the penis is pulled out of the partner's body, the condom must be held onto the base of the penis, so it won't slip off and spill semen into the other person.
- ☒ The condom is used only once and then thrown away.
- ☒ Using a condom together with another birth control method gives even more protection against pregnancy.
- ☒ Condoms come in vinyl or polyurethane if a person is allergic to latex.

Source: *Contraceptive Technology*, 20th revised edition, 2011.