

High Frequency Jet Ventilator: Basic Management Strategies

- Monitor CXR for proper inflation 9-rib expansion
- Most patients should have:
Initial High Frequency Rate: 300 BPM <24 weeks GA or <600g; 360 BPM <27 weeks GA or <1,000g; 420 BPM ≥27 weeks or ≥1000g
Inspiratory Time on the JET set at 0.02 sec = 20 milliseconds
Sigh Breaths: Rate 4 BPM, PIP = PEEP + 6 cm, IT = 0.4 seconds. Increase PIP, Rate, or IT to improve oxygenation (treat atelectasis).
Tidal Volume is primarily determined by the ΔP and oxygenation primarily by the MAP.

		Oxygenation		
		Inadequate or Poor (Increase FiO ₂)	Adequate or Good	Too Good (Decrease FiO ₂)
Ventilation	Over Ventilated CO₂ is too Low	Increase PEEP while keeping PIP constant. This increases MAP while decreasing ΔP to prevent hypocarbia.	Decrease ΔP by decreasing PIP and consider increasing PEEP if needed to keep the MAP constant to prevent atelectasis. If over inflated just decrease PIP to decrease TV.	Decrease PIP until CO ₂ is acceptable. If still over inflated decrease PIP and PEEP by the same amount.
	Appropriate Ventilation CO₂ is Adequate	Increase both PIP and PEEP by the same amount to keep ΔP unchanged while increasing the MAP.	No Changes	Decrease PEEP and PIP by the same amount to decrease MAP to avoid over inflation. This keeps ΔP unchanged.
	Under Ventilated CO₂ is too High	Increase both MAP and ΔP by increasing PIP until CO ₂ is acceptable. If oxygenation is still poor increase both PIP and PEEP by the same amount to keep ΔP constant while increasing MAP.	Increase ΔP by Increasing PIP.	Increase ΔP by decreasing PEEP to avoid over inflation until CO ₂ is acceptable. If still over inflated decrease both PIP and PEEP by the same amount to decrease MAP.