# 10 steps to becoming a pipetting pro

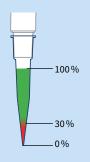


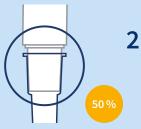


## The right combination of pipette and tip

1 Use the optimum volume range
For maximum precision, use the upper volume range of a pipette.
We recommend switching to a smaller volume variant for volumes below

30% of the nominal volume.





Fit of the tips

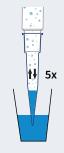
Make sure that the tip is firmly in place and leak tight. The best results are achieved with original tips from the pipette manufacturer.

#### **Preparatory steps**

Perform a temperature equalization
Optimum results are achieved when the pipette, pipette tip and liquid are set to the same temperature (temperature equalization to ambient conditions ~ 2 h).







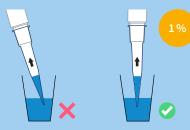
Pre-wet the air cushion

To saturate the air cushion, each new tip should be pre-wetted. This minimizes the evaporation of liquid into the air cushion.

# **Volume absorption**

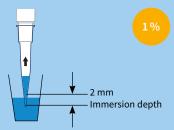
5 Immersion angle

When aspirating liquid, the immersion angle should be max. 10°.



[ Immersion depth

Up to 1000 μl, an immersion depth of 2 mm is optimal (>1000 μl: 3–6 mm).



Waiting period

A waiting time of 1 sec up to 1000  $\mu$ l (>1000  $\mu$ l: 3 sec) should be observed for complete volume aspiration.

### **Volume dispensing**

8 Wipe during volume delivery
Wiping on the vessel wall
(over 8–10 mm) ensures that the
complete volume is dispensed.



### **Pipetting technique**

9 Uniform pipetting rhythm
Uniform pipetting ensures con-

sistent results. Here, the targeted hitting of the 1st stroke with constant force, speed and rhythm are crucial.

Note:

The use of electronic pipettes reduces the individual influence of the user.

Start

1. Stop

2. Stop

"Forward" pipetting

Reverse pipetting

1 \( \chappa \) Choose the right pipetting technique

"Forward" pipetting is particularly suitable for aqueous solutions.
When pipetting problematic liquids (e.g. viscous, volatile, foaming), higher precision is achieved by reverse pipetting.

Percentages correspond to the highest standard values of ISO 8655 for possible measurement deviations due to the respective influencing factor.