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MAKUP EXPIRATION CHEAT SHEET

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Helpful Guide & Tracker On How Long To Keep Your Beauty Products

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All beauty products expire and must be pitched upon expiration.

The best way to keep track, is to write the month & year (using a black or silver sharpie) on the bottom or side of the container the moment you open and start using it.

Many beauty products carry a PAO symbol (a small jar icon) with a number & letter 6M "M" on the inside.

This tells how many months after opening when it should be tossed. Numbers vary and usually small and hard to find, placed on the packaging itself or the box.

For example,

The compact below (bottom left) illustrates a PAO with 18M. Which means this product is good for 18 months after opening.

The tube below (bottom right) illustrates a PAO with 12M. Which means this product us good for 12 months after opening.

FACE

Foundation (Cream/Stick)2 YearsFoundation (Liquid)12-18 MonthsPowder (Pressed)2 YearsPowder (Loose)2 Years

EYES

Eye Shadow (Powder) . . . 12-18 Months Eye Shadow (Liquid) 12 Months Eye Shadow (Cream) 12 Months

Eyeliner (Pencil)	2 Years
Eyeliner (Gel/Cream/Liquid) 3-6	Months
Mascara 3-6	Months

CHEEKS

Blush (Powder)	2 Years
Blush (Liquid) 12-18	Months
Blush (Cream) 12	Months

LIPS

Lip Pencil	• • •	1-2 Years
Lipgloss	12-1	8 Months
Lipstick	12-1	8 Months

Dry/powder products have a longer shelf life. Liquid and creams are shorter. Unopened products may have a longer shelf life until opened (exposed to air).





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To track how long you've had a product, you must know the first day you opened it. List below dates to help keep you accountable for a safe makeup collection or bag. Best if used each time you buy something new.

PRODUCT NAME OR TYPE	DATE PURCHASED	DATE OPENED