

**What parts of the body can liposuction be performed on?**

The face and neck (double chin), upper arms, tummy and hips, thighs and buttocks (cellulite) and saddle bags, knees and ankles, benefit mostly From this procedure.

**Are there any scars?**

The scars are very small and unnoticeable.

**How is the surgery performed?**

Liposuction is usually performed under general anesthesia or intravenous sedation and local anesthesia on an outpatient basis. It usually takes between 30 to 60 minutes. Elastic tape or girdle are applied over the operated area and occasionally a drain is left for 24 to 48 hours.

**How long is the immediate follow-up?**

The patient is usually seen two days postoperatively to remove the bandages and check for any complications. At this time normal daily activities are resumed. Massaging the skin is started in ten days and most physical activities renewed in three weeks when most of the bruising and swelling is gone.

**How much fat can be removed?**

Up to four to five pounds can be removed within safety The procedure can be repeated later if more fat needs to be removed from the same or different locations.

**What are the complications?**

Liposuction is a relatively safe procedure. Bumpiness, serum or blood collection under the skin and infections are quite rare. The best results are obtained in younger people whose skin has not lost its elasticity. In older people skin excision might be necessary along with the liposuction.