eGFR (mL/min/1.73m²)	Safe	Caution	Stop
> 60	All agents		
30-59	acarbose	metformin	liraglutide (eGRF < 50)
	linagliptin	saxagliptin (2.5 mg)	
	gliclazide	sitagliptin (50 mg)	
	glimepiride	exenatide	
	repaglinide	liraglutide	
	thiazolidinediones	glyburide	
15-29	linagliptin	saxagliptin (2.5 mg)	metformin
	repaglinide	sitagliptin (25 mg)	exenatide
		gliclazide	liraglutide
		glimepiride	glyburide
		thiazolidinediones	acarbose
< 15	repaglinide	linagliptin	saxagliptin
		sitagliptin (25 mg)	gliclazide
		thiazolidinediones	



Biguanide

Use with caution in patients with eGFR < 60 mL/min/1.73m²

Avoid in patients with eGFR $< 30 \text{ mL/min}/1.73\text{m}^2$

• Metformin may be used in certain circumstances if eGFR is 20–29 mL/min/1.73m², but requires very close monitoring of serum bicarbonate levels to detect acidosis

When deciding which agent to add to metformin, consideration should be given to a number of factors including effectiveness in blood glucose lowering, degree of hyperglycemia, kidney function, and risk of hypoglycemia.

	Normal dose range	eGFR (mL/min/1.73m²)		
		> 50	30-50	< 30
Metformin	500–1000 mg PO BID-TID (max 2500 mg/day)	100%	Use with caution with eGFR less than 60 mL/min; dose reductions may be necessary	Avoid; see note above



Sulfonylureas				
	Normal dose range	eGFR (mL/min/1.73m²)		
		> 50	30-50	< 30
Glyburide	1.25–20 mg/day PO divided once-twice daily	100%	Not recommended	Contraindicated
Gliclazide regular release	80–160 mg PO BID	100%	Dose reductions may be necessary	Contraindicated
Gliclazide MR	30–120 mg PO daily	100%	Dose reductions may be necessary	Contraindicated
Glimepiride	Initial: 1–2 mg PO daily; titrate by 1–2 mg daily every 1–2 weeks (max 8 mg/day)	100%	Initial: 1 mg PO daily; titrate cautiously based on fasting blood glucose	Contraindicated when eGFR is less than 15 mL/min

DPP – IV Inhibitors				
	Normal dose range	eGFR (mL/min/1.73m²)		
		> 50	30-50	< 30
Sitagliptin	100 mg PO daily	100%	50 mg PO daily	25 mg PO daily
Saxagliptin	2.5–5 mg PO daily	100%	2.5 mg PO daily	2.5 mg PO daily
Linagliptin	5 mg PO daily	100%	100%	100%



GLP-1 Receptor Antagonists				
	Normal dose range	eGFR (mL/min/1.73m²)		
		> 50	30-50	< 30
Exenatide	5 mcg SC BID within 60 minutes prior to a meal; max 10 mcg SC BID	100%	adjustment and/ or discontinuation at eGFR less than or equal to 50 mL/ min	Contraindicated
Liraglutide	Initial: 0.6 mg SC daily for 1	100%	100%; use with	Contraindicated

Insulin			
Normal dose range	eGFR (mL/min/1.73m²)		
	> 50	30-50	
100%	100%	insulin requirements may be reduced due to changes in insulin clearance or metabolism; monitor blood glucose closely	

caution

week, then 1.2 mg SC daily

(max 1.8 mg/day)

