TYPES OF BENZOS
There are many different kinds of Benzos. The table below shows some of the more common types available in Australia.

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SOLUBLE OR NOT???
In order to be able to inject something first you need to dissolve it in water. Not everything dissolves in water though – some drugs, like speed and coke dissolve readily in water. Some drugs like brown heroin need a bit of citric acid or some vinegar to help them dissolve.

Some drugs will not dissolve in water.
None of the Benzo’s listed above will dissolve in water.
None of them! Heating them won’t help and nor will adding acidifiers like vinegar.

This means that if you crush the pills and mix them with water they stay separate. What you end up with is like a muddy pond – little bits of pill floating around in the water!

If you inject this mixture then you will be introducing particles to your bloodstream – where they will block up the small veins. This can lead to problems because the blood can’t get to where it is meant to go – in some cases the blockage can be bad enough to cause the affected part to “die”.

If this happens the only thing that can be done is remove – amputate – the affected body part. People can and do lose fingers, toes, arms and legs.

Don’t think this can’t happen to you.

FILTERING – Will it help?
Filtering your mix can help protect you by removing large particles. It may also remove some of the Benzo but it is still far better to filter your mix thoroughly. You might lose some of the drug but hopefully you will get to keep your arms, legs, fingers and toes. A blue or green wheel filter is the best for filtering any kind of pill – but especially Benzos.

BETTER BET
In many cases Benzos can come on more quickly by dissolving them under the tongue. Crushing them a little first will help. Dissolving them under the tongue allows them to be absorbed into the bloodstream before going through the stomach and liver and makes them come on much faster than swallowing them.

Or you could shaft them (up the bum) – crushed up and mixed with full cream milk! This works in much the same way as putting them under your tongue.

SUMMING UP
Don’t inject Benzos unless you think that arms and legs are optional. Sticking the pills under your tongue and giving them a few minutes to work can be effective – much better than a trip to hospital to have something chopped off!

Benzos are not made for injecting – If you choose to inject them then you run the very real risk of doing yourself severe harm.
ARE YOU INJECTING:

XANAX
SEREPAX
ROHYPNOL
TEMAZE
OR OTHER BENZOS?

YOU SHOULD READ THIS FIRST.

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