# Foods with NO CARBOHYDRATE (DO NOT raise blood sugar)

Blood Sugar Goals: Before Meals: 4.0-7.0; After Meals (2hr): 5.0-10.0



## Vegetables

- Green or yellow beans
- Lettuce, cabbage, spinach
- Tomato
- Cucumber
- Cauliflower

- Broccoli
- Asparagus
- Celery
- Onions/garlic
- Peppers

- Sprouts
- Mushrooms
- Zucchini
- Radish
- Peas or Carrots limit to 1 cup



#### Meat & Alternatives

- Beef, pork, veal, poultry, fish (size = palm of hand)
- Eggs (1 large egg = 1 portion)
- Peanut butter (2 Tbsp)
- Cheese (20% MF or less; size of an eraser)
- Cottage Cheese (1% or less)
  (1/2 cup)
- Lentils and beans1 cup = 15gcarbohydrate

Bake, roast, broil, or BBQ meats more often

Choose leaner meats and lower fat dairy products more often



## Fat (LIMIT to 1-2 servings per meal)

- Salad dressing (1 Tbsp)
- Avoid creamy ones
- Choose calorie wise or light
- Mayonnaise (1 tsp)

- Sour cream (1 tsp)
- Non-hydrogenated margarine (1 tsp)
- Canola or olive oil (1 tsp)
- Nuts and seeds (limit to 1/4 cup); choose unsalted

Fat can contribute to weight gain and increased cholesterol

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# Carbohydrate Containing Foods (Foods that raise blood sugar)

### Blood Sugar Goals

### Meal Goals

Before Meals: 4.0-7.0 After Meals (2hr): 5.0-10.0 3-4 Carbohydrate choices per meal (45-60 grams)

0-1 Carbohydrate choices per snack (0-15 grams)

1 serving/choice = 15 grams carbohydrate (3 tsp sugar)



#### Grains & Starch

- 1 slice bread
- 1/2 cup corn
- 1/2 cup potato
- 1/2 cup cooked pasta
- 1/4 cup Kraft dinner
- 1/3 cup cooked rice
- 2/3 cup cereal (hot or cold)

## Choose whole grain products more often

- 1/4 muffin or bagel
- 1/2 English muffin, hot dog bun, hamburger bun
- 3 cups popcorn



#### Fruit Choices

- 15 grapes or cherries
- 1 small banana, 1/2 large
- 1 cup blueberries
- 2 cups other berries
- 2 kiwis/apricots/plums

- 2 mandarin oranges
- 1/2 cup unsweetened apple sauce
- 1 cup melon (cantaloupe, watermelon, honeydew)

- 3/4 cup pineapple
- 1/2 mango

- 1 of the following:
  - Apple
  - o Orange
  - o Pear
  - > Peach
  - Nectarine



#### Milk Choices

- 1 cup milk (skim or 1%)
- 1/2 cup chocolate milk
- 1 cup unflavored soy milk
- 1/2 cup flavored soy milk
- 1 cup yogurt (sweetened with aspartame or Splenda)

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