

## Your 1800 Calorie Meal Plan

Eating healthy is an important part of managing your diabetes. The food in your meal plan will provide the calories and nutrients you need each day to manage your blood glucose and to give you the energy you need for healthy living.

You can use the following guidelines to estimate how many calories are needed per day to help maintain your weight.

### **For every pound of weight, calculate:**

- 10 calories for an adult who is obese, very inactive, or always dieting
- 13 calories for an adult over 55 years of age, an active woman, or an inactive man
- 15 calories for a very active woman or an active man
- 20 calories for a very active man or an adult athlete

To lose weight, you'll need to eat fewer calories. To gain weight, you'll need to eat more calories. You and your healthcare provider will develop a healthy meal plan that is right for you.

## The Exchange Lists for Meal Planning

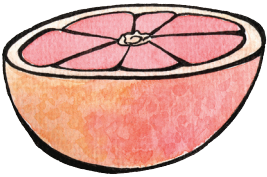
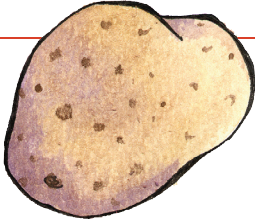
The Exchange Lists offer a large selection of foods grouped together because they have approximately the same nutritional content. Each serving of a food has about the same carbohydrate, protein, fat, and calories, as the other foods in that list. Any food within a list can be "exchanged" for another food in the same list.

Ask your healthcare provider for a copy of the *Changing Life With Diabetes* booklet, Carb Counting and Meal Planning from Novo Nordisk. It includes the Exchange Lists for Meal Planning and other useful information on healthy eating. Use the Exchange Lists in Carb Counting and Meal Planning with this meal planning information.

To become a member of *Changing Life With Diabetes*, a free program for people who take insulin, enroll on line at [ChangingDiabetes-us.com](http://ChangingDiabetes-us.com). Another program that will help you manage your diabetes is the free Novo Nordisk Tip Line at 1-800-260-3730.

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The following sample menu for a 1800 calorie meal plan includes a total of 7 starch exchanges, 4 fruit exchanges, 3 milk exchanges, 4 non-starchy vegetable exchanges, 7 meat exchanges and 5 fat exchanges daily.

Meal	Exchanges	Sample	
<b>Breakfast</b>	2 starch	2 slices whole wheat toast	
	1 fruit	1/2 grapefruit	
	1 milk	8 ounces (1 cup) skim milk	
	1 meat, medium fat	1 egg, poached	
	1 fat	1 teaspoon margarine	
<b>Snack</b>	1 milk	6 ounces (2/3 cup) light yogurt	
<b>Lunch</b>	1 starch	2 slices whole wheat light bread	
	1 starch	3/4 ounces of pretzels	
	2 meat, lean	2 ounces sliced turkey	
	1 fat	1 tablespoon light mayonnaise	
	1 vegetable	1 cup cucumber and tomato salad	
	free food	2 tablespoons fat free Italian dressing	
1 fruit	3/4 cup fresh pineapple		
<b>Snack</b>	1 vegetable	1 red pepper sliced	
	1 fat	2 tablespoons light ranch dressing	
	1 fruit	1 cup cubed cantaloupe	
<b>Dinner</b>	3 meat, lean	3 ounces pork loin roast	
	2 starch	1 cup roasted potato	
	2 vegetable	1 cup steamed asparagus	
	2 fat	2 teaspoons oil	
	1 fruit	1/2 large pear	
<b>Snack</b>	1 starch	1 frozen low-fat waffle, toasted	
	1 meat, high fat	1 tablespoon peanut butter	
	1 milk	8 ounces (1 cup) skim milk	
		6 ounces (2/3 cup) light yogurt	

For more information about meal planning, go to [ChangingDiabetes-us.com](http://ChangingDiabetes-us.com) and take advantage of our online Menu Planner to print a 7-day menu plan including diabetes-friendly recipes and a customized grocery list

# Your Personal Meal Plan

Meal plan for: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dietitian: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

	<b>Grams</b>	<b>Percent</b>
<b>Carbohydrate:</b>	_____	_____
<b>Protein:</b>	_____	_____
<b>Fat:</b>	_____	_____
<b>Calories:</b>	_____	_____

Time	Number of exchanges	Menu ideas
	_____ Carbohydrate group _____ Starch _____ Fruit _____ Milk _____ Meat and meat substitutes group _____ Fat Group	
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