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### WHY THE P90X NUTRITION PLAN LOOKS DIFFERENT FROM OTHER BEACHBODY DIET PLANS

As you may notice from the math on the following pages, P90X is not built around a daily "calorie deficit" for weight loss like the general Beachbody plans found in Power 90°, Kathy Smith's Project:You! Type 2°, and Slim in 6°. It's important that you understand why, so you have the right training mentality with this program, with the right expectations.

Our calculations in the P90X Nutrition Plan are different from those in our other programs' diet guides and in the Diet and Support center. Running a caloric deficit during P90X is risky, and chances are it would lead to overtraining, decreased performance, or perhaps injury or illness. If someone used a 600-calorie deficit during P90X, they might see weight loss initially, but, over time, their performance would get worse and worse. With constant monitoring we could increase one's caloric consumption as needed, but this is not practical within our client structure.

To exemplify this, the number one piece of advice we give on the Message Boards is to eat more. In the initial stages of our programs, most of our customers lose weight due to a combination of eating fewer calories, eating better calories, and increasing their workload. Over time, they stagnate—or "plateau"—at the lower caloric intake because their bodies have changed and require more calories. It's quite hard to convince them that they can eat more and not gain weight. However, it's extremely common to see our members—when on a plateau—add calories and begin seeing dramatic weight loss. We've had clients actually need to double their caloric intake before this weight loss effect of increased calories reversed. Since P90X begins at the stage where a high percentage of our clients have hit a plateau, it's important that we give them enough fuel to recover from their workouts.

Where this can go wrong is that our guidelines are ballpark and can only be ballpark. There is no way to determine exactly how individual bodies work with one document. In a lab, we could do this—obviously, a limiting factor here. With that in mind, we needed to come up with the best one solution that would fit the greatest number of people.

In my experience, Carrie Wiatt's phased diet plan was the best way to do this. I knew we would run into problems with ultrafit people attempting the initial low-carb phase. However, the point is to attempt—the best way we could within our limitations—to teach you how to determine what works for your body. The easiest way that I've found is to limit carbohydrate intake until performance begins to suffer and then add them back in. Therefore, Phase 1 may last two months or two days (you need to determine this for yourself). But through the process, you'll learn what carbohydrates actually do for your body and become more sensitive to why and when you should eat them. I've used this little "trick" with clients for years, and, especially with women, it's often the one thing that will get them off of a plateau.

The bottom line is that you need blood sugar to perform your best and this comes from eating carbohydrates. Low-carb diets can be okay for obese people in their transitioning state, but a well-fueled athletic body burns a lot of carbohydrates. This is the reason the P90X plan transitions the way it does. Real athletes do not eat "low carb" to perform and it's important to understand this.

P90X is not a fast-track weight loss solution like other programs. It's an unprecedented fitness solution designed to give you a stronger, healthier body that will become leaner and perform better over time. It's not designed for weight loss per se. It's designed to increase human performance and improve overall body composition. Trust it.

Nutrition expert Carrie Wiatt, creator of the P90X Nutrition Plan, has developed an individualized approach to healthy eating that has made her a leading lifestyle educator in her work as an author, consultant, media personality, and chef. At Diet Designs, her Los Angelesbased nutrition company, Carrie combines fresh, upscale cuisine with low-fat preparation, portion control, and personalized counseling. After years of practice, Carrie compiled her proven techniques in her first book, Eating by Design: The Individualized Food Personality Type Nutrition Plan. Her second successful book, Portion Savvy, presents a 30-day plan for controlled eating and food management. Wiatt's ability to bridge the gap between science and food circles has made her a sought-after media expert on healthy living.

As Tony Horton has been quoted, your body doesn't run on exercise. It runs on the food you put in your mouth. The goal of this book is to help you learn what kinds of food, how much, and when to eat so that you can lose fat, get lean, and get into incredible shape. Be warned. If you want real results from your exercise program (AND WE MEAN INCREDIBLE RESULTS!), skipping this nutrition plan is NOT an option.

Establishing and maintaining the right kind of diet is just as important to your overall success as any workout. In fact, some may consider the diet the toughest exercise—but it is absolutely key to achieving your best results.

Once you incorporate the principles of the P90X Nutrition Plan into your training regimen, you will quickly begin to feel better, look better, and without a doubt, perform better. Your cravings for unhealthy foods will be greatly reduced. Bye-bye, Twinkies!



### THERE ARE 3 PHASES TO THE POOR NUTRITION PLAN.

This plan is designed to change right along with your 3-phase workout demands, providing the right combination of foods to satisfy your body's energy needs every step of the way.

While P90X is designed as a 90-day program, you might choose to alter your choice or timing of one or more of the plans. You can follow any phase at any time based on your nutritional level. These are general guidelines recommended here.



### **FAT SHREDDER**

A high-protein-based diet designed to help you strengthen muscle while rapidly shedding fat from your body.



### **ENERGY BOOSTER**

A balanced mix of carbohydrates and protein with a lower amount of fat to supply additional energy for performance.



### **ENDURANCE MAXIMIZER**

An athletic diet of complex carbohydrates, lean proteins, and lower fat with an emphasis on more carbohydrates. You'll need this combination of foods as fuel to get the most out of your final training block and truly get in the best shape of your life!



### THE 3 PHASES

Like the P90X exercise program, the P90X Nutrition Guideline is divided into 3 phases, calibrated to move from fast, efficient fat loss (Phase 1) to peak energy (Phase 2) to lasting success (Phase 3). The nutritional proportions change with each plan, so it's important to follow the instructions for your current plan.

| The nutritional proportions for each of the 3 plans are as follows: |                                                                           |         |              |     |  |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|--------------|-----|--|
| PHASE                                                               | GOAL                                                                      | PROTEIN | CARBOHYDRATE | FAT |  |
| PHASE 1<br>FAT SHREDDER                                             | Strengthen muscle and shed excess body fat                                | 50%     | 30%          | 20% |  |
| PHASE 2<br>ENERGY BOOSTER                                           | Maintain Phase 1 changes with additional energy for midstream performance | 40%     | 40%          | 20% |  |
| PHASE 3 ENDURANCE MAXIMIZER                                         | Support peak physical performance and satisfaction over the long term     | 20%     | 60%          | 20% |  |

### **PHASE**

use this phase more easily than someone who is very fit and doesn't have a lot of excess body fat to lose. This stage is designed to cut down your body fat percentage, and as this happens, your available energy should also decrease. Therefore, Phase 1 should only be extended if you need to drop more

fat and also feel like you have ample energy to push hard during your workouts. Conversely, this phase could be shortened by a week or two if your body fat is already low and you feel like you don't have the necessary energy to get the most out of your workouts.

PHASE

FAT SHREDDER

ENERGY BOOSTER This is more of a well-rounded, long-term, sensible eating plan, and there shouldn't be too much trouble

Those who are reasonably fit and have more body fat can

once you get here. This plan can also be used as long as you like if you're feeling great, have plenty of energy, and it seems like you're making overall progress.

ENDURANCE MAXIMIZER This plan should be earned. It's an athletic

diet and you'll only need it if you are

pushing your body to the limit, which you should be if you keep your promise to "Bring It." Of note is that Phase 3 should be tried at some point, even if you feel good in Phase 2. We've seen many people hesitate to move on to this more carb-heavy phase for fear that they'll gain weight, but surprise! They found that once they did, they had more energy, worked out even harder, and had better results. This is important to keep in mind. Athletes eat more carbs, and there is a reason that they do. We wouldn't put it in the plan if it weren't proven to improve results.

#### **CUSTOMIZING THE PHASES**

While P90X is designed as a 90-day program, you might choose to alter your choice or timing of one or more of the phases.

| DETERMI   | NE YOUR PHASE    |
|-----------|------------------|
| (1) FAT 9 | SHREDDER         |
| (2) ENEF  | RGY BOOSTER      |
| (3) ENDU  | JRANCE MAXIMIZER |



### THERE ARE 3 APPROACHES FOR EACH PHASE.

We have developed three different approaches to ensure proper nutrition for all phases of P90X. The choice is yours as to which one will work best for you. Keep in mind that you can stick with one approach throughout the entire program, or alternate based on your lifestyle demands.

## THE PORTION APPROACH

This approach is designed for those who don't have a lot of time or patience to prepare a meal that involves more than one or two steps. It is definitely better suited to those who don't like to cook or follow recipes.

# THE MEAL PLAN APPROACH

By following the daily meal plans, you'll not only take the guesswork out of your daily food preparation, but you'll also enjoy a variety of delicious, healthy, and lowfat recipes that will provide you with the proper amount of nutrition and energy to get the most out of your P90X workouts.

# THE QUICK OPTION APPROACH

We all have days when it seems we can't find the time to eat, let alone cook. So we've included some quick food options that require minimal or no effort, because YOU MUST EAT TO SUCCEED WITH P90X.

| DETERMINE YOUR APPROACH |           |              |  |
|-------------------------|-----------|--------------|--|
| PORTION                 | MEAL PLAN | QUICK OPTION |  |



### YOUR BODY FAT PERCENTAGE

Lowering your body fat and increasing lean muscle mass is essential to your overall success. It is important to track your progress by measuring and recording your body fat percentage at the end of each phase.

To get started, use the body fat measurement you assessed prior to taking your Fit Test (see page 19 of the P90X Fitness Guide), or simply use a body fat caliper and record your results here.

|        | CURRENT<br>BODY FAT % | NOTES |
|--------|-----------------------|-------|
| Start  |                       |       |
| Day 28 |                       |       |
| Day 56 |                       |       |
| Day 90 |                       |       |

### **BODY FAT TARGET**

As your body fat percentage changes during the next 90 days, here's where the numbers place you in terms of general targets.

|       | FIT RANGE | ATHLETE RANGE | ELITE ATHLETE RANGE |
|-------|-----------|---------------|---------------------|
| MEN   | 14-17%    | 10-13%        | 4-9%                |
| WOMEN | 21-24%    | 16-20%        | 12–15%              |
|       |           |               |                     |

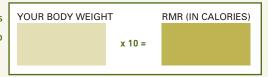


### THERE ARE 3 NUTRITION LEVELS WITHIN EACH APPROACH.

Please take a moment to determine your daily nutrition and calorie needs. The data you provide will determine how much food you need (and how much you don't need) while you go through P90X.

1

Calculate your resting metabolic rate (RMR). This is basically the number of calories you need to breathe, pump blood, grow hair, blink—be alive.



2

Calculate your daily activity burn, the calories required for daily movement apart from exercise.

Keep in mind that all lifestyles aren't created equal. A construction worker will have a higher daily burn rate than



a computer programmer, so this figure should be treated as a ballpark estimate. You will probably need to do some personal adjusting to get it perfect. Don't worry, this will become more obvious than you think once you get going.

3

Add the calories required for your exercise needs, which we have calculated at 600 calories per day for the P90X program. Add it all up and you've got your energy amount.

| YOUR RMR |   | DAILY ACTIVITY BURN |         | ENERGY AMOUNT |
|----------|---|---------------------|---------|---------------|
|          | + |                     | + 600 = |               |

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Now use your energy amount to determine vour nutrition level in the table.

Example: A 6-foot, 180-pound man

RMR = 180 (body weight in pounds) x 10 = 1,800 Daily activity burn = 1,800 (RMR) x 20% = 360 Exercise expenditure = 600

Energy amount = 1,800 + 360 + 600 = 2,760

Nutrition level = II

Round down to the bottom of your level to create a slight calorie deficit, e.g., if you are at level II, your calorie target is 2,400 calories/day.

| YOUR<br>ENERGY AMOUNT | NUTRITION          | LEVEL     |
|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| 1,800-2,399           | 1,800 calories/day | LEVEL I   |
| 2,400-2,999           | 2,400 calories/day | LEVEL II  |
| 3,000+                | 3,000 calories/day | LEVEL III |

YOUR NUTRITION LEVEL =



### **GENERAL GUIDELINES**

While this plan is designed to meet each individual's nutritional needs, there are some general rules that should be applied to ensure positive results.

keeping a daily journal

Knowing what, when, and how much to eat plays a vital role in your development. In this section you'll also discover healthy ways to prepare the foods you choose to eat, and make them taste good so you'll WANT to eat them again. Following these guidelines and maintaining an eating discipline will optimize your energy level and fat-burning ability throughout your P90X workouts. Research shows that one of the most powerful ways to successfully change your eating habits is to keep a daily journal. By logging your food intake as well as your exercise, you keep yourself accountable while also creating a space to express your thoughts and feelings. You'll no longer have to remember what worked and what didn't. You can look back on your log to track your journey and fine-tune your plan to your personal experience and needs. You'd be surprised how often you find that bad moods are associated with bad foods.

You'll find a daily journal for each week of P90X included at the back of this book. Try to carry your current journal page with you so you can track meals as you eat them and jot down thoughts as they arise.



### WHY DIET MATTERS

A large body of scientific evidence shows that diet and exercise work hand in hand to promote fitness and physical performance. One reason for this symbiotic relationship is the energy equation. When you expend more calories than you consume, you burn body fat (aka "stored energy") and build lean body mass—but because you need energy to exercise, every calorie you eat must be of the highest quality to get you over the hump.

As Tony says, "The better the car, the better the fuel you need to make it run as designed." We are making you into a better car, so it's time for some high-octane grub!

Another reason diet matters is metabolism. A nutrient-dense, interval-based eating program keeps your metabolic rate high to burn fat at the maximum, even when you're not working out. Finally, a healthy diet regulates blood sugar to balance hormonal secretions, promoting optimal fat burn and a steady fuel supply. All this works together to get you into peak condition in 90 days.



### WHEN TO EAT

It is important to follow a regular eating schedule. First, it keeps your blood sugar stable instead of peaking and crashing, which can lead to overeating and a general poor feeling. Second, regular meals will speed up your metabolism by challenging it to keep processing calories, rather than storing them in a game of "feast or famine."

Success in P90X comes to those who eat early and often. You should be eating every few hours while you're awake, favoring small meals and snacks. Try to finish your last snack approximately three hours before you hit the sack. This will help keep undigested carbs from being stored as fat. If you do need to break this rule, a small protein shake would be the snack of choice before bed, as it can help your recovery during sleep.

okay, let's get started.

big P90X step...

Before determining which foods to incorporate into your selected eating plan,

# **TOSS THE JUNK!**

Now would be a good time to get rid of all the junk food currently in your possession. Foods high in saturated and trans fats, sodium, and sugar should be the first to be thrown out (i.e., cookies, pastries, candy, processed meats, potato chips, soda, high-sodium frozen foods, canned soups, etc.). You know them. You think you love them. They are the problem. Throw them away, and don't let anyone give you more. Don't be nice. Don't take a bite. Say: "Thanks, but I'm not eating that kind of stuff for 90 days." And by the way, congratulations! You're taking this program seriously, and just remember—if you think it's junk food, it probably is.

### Yes, we mean it. Throw it away!

### WHAT RESULTS TO EXPECT

The P90X Nutrition Plan is designed to optimize your exercise plan to build strength and lean muscle mass. This dramatic change in your physical composition means that you might not see a big difference on the scale because often you'll be trading fat for lean, strong muscle—and you will not only see it, but you will definitely feel the difference in your body. Unlike other diets that focus on the relatively meaningless measure of weight, you'll use body fat percentage and self-perceived energy to guide you to your goal. This program is for real.

The number one obstacle to success is underestimating

### THE NUMBER ONE OBSTACLE

portion size. Calories DO count in the energy equation, and small errors can add

up to big disappointments. It's very important to measure each portion accurately at every meal, the way we've outlined here. It might sound like a lot of work, but after 90 days it will be second nature. After 90 days you will know how to eat. Think of this plan as a graduate degree in eating, and you'll graduate in only three months.

#### OTHER "DON'TS" THAT CAN DERAIL YOUR DIET INCLUDE:

- Skipping meals and eating off schedule.
- Following fads and trends, such as overemphasizing certain food groups and completely excluding others.
- Not planning your food choices ahead.
- Skimping on fruits and vegetables, your natural supply of antiaging nutrients.

#### **DRINK WATER**

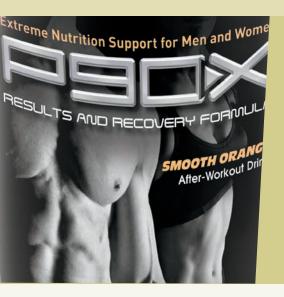
Drinking enough water is a vital part of any conditioning program, as it

aids every aspect of bodily function. You should drink at least six to eight 12-ounce glasses of noncarbonated water each day. The following water consumption guidelines relate specifically to your P90X workout:

#### P90X HYDRATION SCHEDULE

12 oz. water two hours prior to exercise 8-12 oz. water 15 to 30 minutes prior to exercise 4-8 oz. water every 15 minutes during exercise





# THE P90X® RESULTS AND RECOVERY FORMULA AND THIS PLAN

It's best to have the Results and Recovery Formula after-workout drink within one hour of finishing your hardest workout of the day, when your glycogen stores are at their lowest. This should be the only thing you consume during this time frame. You can also split this up if you do double workouts, and have half a serving after both workouts, or even a full serving if you're trying to gain mass. But keep in mind that you don't need to replenish glycogen stores if they haven't been exhausted. So if you completed one of your workouts at a lower intensity, you may want to save the recovery drink for after your harder workout.

### RECALCULATING YOUR CALORIES

Even though some pretty bright minds were tapped during the formulation of this diet, that doesn't

mean it's perfect for everyone. If you feel that you need to eat either more or less than you've calculated, then this really might be the case.

But first you should try eating the amount you calculated. Your body will let you know what's right over time. In the beginning it might send you false signals, trying to get you to eat more out of habit, but given a trial period it will find its healthy balance of diet and exercise, a more accurate sense of how much you should be eating. Metabolic rates vary more than we can predict here, so there is a chance that you'll need to recalculate calorie needs somewhat, up or down.

One thing to caution you against is UNDEREATING. If you don't feed your body enough, your metabolism will slow down and you'll compromise your workouts. This can affect your results in ways you may not notice because you may feel okay generally, but your performance could be lagging. Do not run out of energy. The only time that you should drop your caloric intake is if you are working out hard, yet still gaining fat.

You might actually need to add calories if you feel like you are running out of energy during your workouts, but this could also result from eating too far before you exercise. If you decide to eat more, adding as little as 200–300 calories per day should be enough unless your calculations are way off. This is easily done by adding a snack such as nuts or dried fruit, substituting a meal in place of a snack, or adding a P90X protein bar or protein shake.

### "BONKING"

If you're in Phase 1, you could be "bonking" due to lack of carbohydrates in your diet. Bonking is when your body simply runs out of stored glycogen during a hard workout and can no longer push beyond its anaerobic threshold. This is very common in sports like running and cycling, but it can also happen during routine weight training, especially with a low-carb diet. In this case, adding a serving of a complex carbohydrate like rice, potatoes, or bread to any meal during the day will usually do the trick. Complex carbs are stored as liver glycogen to be used when necessary, so, unlike sugars, they don't need to be consumed right before you need them in order to be effective.

### LOW-FAT COOKING TECHNIQUES

Learning just a few basic skills can make you a low-fat chef with good habits you'll use for life. Cooking with liquids other than fat can trim the fat content of a dish by up to 1,000

calories. This can have a positive effect on your total health and well-being, and maybe even prevent illnesses such as cancer and heart disease. And on top of all that, you can lose lots of weight.

Refer to these techniques when making the P90X recipes or preparing foods from the Portion Approach.

Eliminate the fat used in traditional sautés by substituting flavorful liquids for butter, margarine, or oil. Choose from chicken or vegetable stock, dry sherry, red or white wine, fruit juice, vinegar, soy sauce, or a combination of two or more.

### A BETTER SAUTÉ

- 1 Heat 2 tablespoons of liquid in a sauté pan over medium-high heat.
- 2\_ When the liquid begins to steam, add ingredients and stir.
  - 3\_ Continue to sauté, stirring frequently, until the liquid in the pan evaporates.
    Quickly add 2 more tablespoons of liquid, stirring to scrape up the glaze at the bottom of the pan.
    - 4\_ Continue to cook, adding liquid as necessary, until done.

### PASTA AND NOODLES

- 1\_ Always select pasta made without oils or eggs. All the recipes here call for dry, not fresh, pasta.
- 2\_ Skip adding oil and salt to the cooking water; the sauce provides plenty of flavor and moisture.
  - 3\_ Cook pasta in a large pot of boiling water, adding pasta to the pot gradually so the water continues to boil.
    - 4 Two ounces of dry pasta yields 1 to 1-1/2 cups cooked, depending on the type of pasta.

Poultry, meats, and seafood all contain natural fats and can be cooked without any additional oils. Here's how:

### GRILLING, BAKING, AND POACHING

1\_Grilling is the fastest cooking method, and is best suited for thicker cuts. Begin with a preheated grill or broiler, turning meat over when the grilled side is done (fish should flake, poultry should begin to brown). Cook the other side. Depending on thickness, grill 5-7 minutes per side; the second side will probably take less time than the first.

- 2\_ Baking is a slower cooking method. Bake most cuts at 350 degrees for 20-30 minutes.
- 3\_ Poaching involves a slow simmer in liquid—such as water, stock, or wine—that you can flavor with herbs, onions, shallots, or garlic. Poaching is a gentle cooking method that works well for delicate cuts like chicken breast, fish filets, and shellfish. In a wide saucepan, heat enough liquid to just cover your ingredients until it reaches a very slow simmer. Add ingredients in a single layer and cook uncovered 7-10 minutes, or until cooked through.

For added flavor and moisture, brush seafood, meat, or poultry with fresh citrus juice, mustard, Worcestershire sauce, soy sauce, or fresh herbs before grilling or roasting. Or use an oil-free marinade—for best flavor, marinate at least two hours or overnight in the refrigerator.

### **VEGETARIANS**

If you are a vegetarian, chances are you already know this drill, but any of the P90X recipes can be prepared vegetarian with some creative substitution. Keep in mind that, as a vegetarian, you need to do your own calculating to get enough protein. Unlike meat dishes, most of your options contain some carbs. Here are some meat substitutions that can help your diet stay high in protein.

Beans/lentils/soybeans Nonfat yogurt

Cottage cheese Seitan

Egg substitutes Soy burgers
Egg whites Soy cheese
Garden burgers Soy yogurt
Hemp protein Tempeh

Tofu

Nonfat cheese

Hummus





PHASE

PORTION APPROACH

The Portion Approach was designed to allow you to mix and match the foods of your choice. There are NO specific meal plans or recipes for this approach. Just select from the Portion Approach foods listed on the following pages and eat the amounts indicated for your nutrition level. Along with identifying the right foods to buy, the list shows you which foods fall into which categories, and the appropriate portion size equal to one serving.

For example, if you are in Phase 1 and have determined that you are at nutrition level II, you would be allotted a specific number of servings per day from each food group, as follows:

| PROTEINS      | 7 servings |
|---------------|------------|
| DAIRY         | 3 servings |
| FRUITS        | 1 serving  |
| VEGETABLES    | 4 servings |
|               | 1 serving  |
| CARBOHYDRATES | 1 serving  |
| SNACKS        | 2 servings |

(2 items from the single snack group or 1 item from the double snack group) PLUS a P90X Peak Performance Protein Bar and P90X Results and Recovery Formula drink

CONDIMENTS 2 servings

### **Important Note on Snacks:**

There are two snack groups listed in your Portion Approach foods—the single group and the double group.

If the letters **SGL** appear beside a snack serving block on your Portion Chart, you can have any 1 item from the single snack group. If the letters **DBL** appear inside the snack serving block, you can have any 1 item from the double snack group OR any 2 items from the single snack group.

Additionally, if the words Bar or Drink appear inside a snack serving block, you can have a P90X Peak Performance Protein Bar and P90X Results and Recovery Formula drink along WITH your allotted snack servings.

During Phase 1, use the following list to determine which foods to purchase from the grocery store and how much of these foods constitutes one serving. Remember, the foods you choose to incorporate in your diet are up to you—just make sure the portions fit within the parameters of your determined nutrition level.



# FAT SHREDDER

### **FATS**

each serving = 120 cal.

3 oz\_Avocado 1 tbsp\_Canola oil 1 tbsp\_Flaxseed oil Olive oil\_1 tbsp Olives\_4 oz

### **PROTEINS**

each serving = 100 cal.

3 oz\_Boneless, skinless, chicken or turkey breast
6\_Egg whites
3 oz\_Fish and shellfish
3 oz\_Ham slices, fat-free
3 oz\_Pork tenderloin
1/3 cup\_Protein powder
3 oz\_Red meat (top sirloin, flank steak)
3 oz\_Red meat, lean

Soy burger\_1
Soy cheese slices\_5
Tofu\_3 oz
Tuna\_3 oz
Turkey bacon\_2 slices
Veggie burger\_1
Veggie dog\_1

#### CARBOHYDRATES

each serving = 200 cal.

### GRAINS LEGUMES POTATOES

1 medium\_Bagel, whole wheat
1 cup\_Baked beans
1 cup\_Beans (kidney, black, etc.)
1\_Bran muffin (2.5 oz)
2 slices\_Bread (whole wheat, rye, or pumpernickel)
1 cup\_Cereal, whole grain
1 cup\_Couscous
12\_Crackers
2\_English muffins, whole wheat
1 cup\_Hummus

Pancakes (3.6 oz)\_3
Pasta or noodles\_1 cup
Pita, whole wheat\_1 large
Potato (2" x 4-3/4")\_1
Quinoa\_1 cup
Refried beans, low-fat\_1 cup
Rice, brown or wild\_1 cup
Sweet potato\_1 medium
Tortillas, corn\_3
Tortilla, whole wheat\_1 large
Waffles, whole wheat\_2
Wheat berries\_1 cup

### DAIRY PRODUCTS

each serving = 120 cal.

Note: One portion of low-fat cheese or cottage cheese counts as either a snack or a dairy portion, not both. 1 oz\_Cheese, low-fat 1 cup\_Cottage cheese, 1% 1 oz\_Feta cheese 1 oz\_Goat cheese, semisoft -1/2 oz\_Mozzarella, part-skim

1 cup\_Lentils 1 cup\_Oatmeal

> Parmesan cheese\_1 oz Skim milk\_8 oz Soy cheese\_1 oz Soy milk\_8 oz Yogurt, popfat plain, 8 oz





each serving = 100 cal.

1 medium\_Apple
1 cup\_Apricots
1 medium\_Banana
1/4 medium\_Cantaloupe
1 cup\_Cherries
1 oz\_Dried fruit
6 oz\_Fresh-squeezed juice
1 medium\_Grapefruit
1 cup\_Grapes
1 cup\_Kiwi

Mango\_1/2 medium
Nectarine\_1 medium
Orange\_1 large
Papaya\_1/2 medium
Peach\_1 medium
Pear\_1 medium
Raspberries, blueberries, blackberries\_1 cup
Strawberries, sliced\_2 cups
Tangerine\_1 medium
Watermelon\_1 cup

### **VEGETABLES**

each serving = 50 cal.

1 cup = cooked vegetables,
vegetable juice,
or vegetable soup
2 cups = leafy greens

Asparagus Lettuce
Beets Marinara sauce
Bok choy Mushrooms
Broccoli Peas
Brussels sprouts Peppers
Cabbage Spinach

Carrots Sprouts
Cauliflower Squash (summer or winter)
Celery String beans

Collard greens Tomatoes
Cucumber V-8° juice, low-sodium
Eggplant Vegetable soup

#### CONDIMENTS

each serving = 2 tbsp = 50 cal.

BBQ and other low-fat sauces and marinades, fat-free dressings, mustard, honey, pure fruit jams

Kale

### SNACKS

single serving = 100 cal. double serving = 200 cal.

Note: One portion of low-fat cheese or cottage cheese counts as either a snack or a dairy portion, not both. 1 oz\_Cheese, low-f
8 oz\_Cottage cheese, 1
1 oz\_Dried fru
1\_Frozen fruit b 8 oz\_Fruit sorb
12\_Mini rice cake
4 oz\_Nonfat frozen yogu

butter with celery sticks
2 oz\_Soy nuts
1-1/2 oz\_String cheese

1 oz\_Turkey jerky oz\_Yogurt, nonfat plain

#### Double

Cottage cheese, 1%\_12 oz

Nuts\_1 oz (almonds, cashews, pecans, 30 pistachios
P90X Peak Recovery Formula\_12-16 oz
P90X Peak Performance Protein Bar\_1
Soy nuts\_4 oz
String cheese\_3 oz
Turkey jerky\_2 oz

### **GENERAL GUIDELINES**

Following the daily Meal Plan Approach will take the guesswork out of your daily food preparation. You'll enjoy a variety of delicious, healthy, and low-fat recipes that will provide you with the proper amount of nutrition and energy to get the most out of your P90X workout.

LEVEL I

**MEAL PLAN APPROACH** 

Recipe included

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| BREAKFAST                                                                                | SNACK                                                        | LUNCH                                                                                                        | SNACK                      | DINNER                                                                                                                |  |
| 1_Mushroom Omelet ■ 1 cup_Fresh strawberries 8 oz_Cottage cheese, 1%                     | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                           | 1_Chef Salad ■                                                                                               | 2 oz_Soy nuts              | 6 oz_Salmon 2 tbsp_Lemon-Dill Sauce ■ 1/2 cup_Asparagus 1 cup_Wild rice 1 cup_Red Pepper Soup ■ 1 tbsp_Protein powder |  |
| 1_Protein Shake ■                                                                        | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                           | 1_Shrimp Stir-Fry ■<br>1 tbsp_Sesame seeds<br>1 oz_Cashews                                                   | 1-1/2 oz_String<br>cheese  | 6 oz_Turkey 2 tbsp_Gravy ■ 1/2 cup_Green beans 1 cup_Butternut Squash Soup ■ 1 tbsp_Protein powder                    |  |
| 2 slices_Turkey bacon 1_Chicken Scramble  4 oz_Fresh-squeezed juice                      | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                           | 1_Chicken Salad ■ 2 cups_Salad greens 1 cup_Vegetable Soup ■ 1 tbsp_Protein powder                           | 2 oz_Soy nuts              | 6 oz_Halibut 2 tbsp_Pesto Sauce ■ 1 cup_Wild rice 1/2 cup_Zucchini                                                    |  |
| 1_Soy Sausage Muffin ■<br>8 oz_Skim milk                                                 | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                           | 1_Steak & Arugula Salad ■<br>2 tbsp_Balsamic Vinaigrette ■                                                   | 1 oz_Turkey jerky          | 6 oz_Chicken breast 2 tbsp_Honey-Chile Sauce 1 cup_Quinoa 1/2 cup_Snap peas                                           |  |
| 1_Spinach Scramble = 8 oz_Skim milk 1/2_Grapefruit, medium                               | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                           | 6 oz_Turkey Burger ■ 1-1/2 oz_Low-fat Swiss cheese 1/2 cup_Coleslaw ■ 1 cup_Gazpacho ■ 1 tbsp_Protein powder | 8 oz_Cottage<br>cheese, 1% | 6 oz_Swordfish 2 tbsp_Mango-Ginger Sauce ■ 1 cup_Wild rice 1_Artichoke, medium                                        |  |
| 1_Protein Shake                                                                          | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                           | 1_Island Pork<br>Tenderloin Salad <u>■</u>                                                                   | <b>1 oz_</b> Turkey jerky  | 1_Beef & Broccoli Stir-Fry  1 cup_Miso Soup  1 tbsp_Protein powder                                                    |  |
| 2 slices_Turkey bacon 1_Cheese Scramble  8 oz_Skim milk 1/4_Cantaloupe, medium  OVERVIEW | 1_Protein bar 1_Recovery drink*  * Immediately after workout | 1_Tuna Salad  2 cups_Salad greens 1 cup_Chilled Cucumber Soup ■                                              | 8 oz_Cottage<br>cheese, 1% | 6 oz_Lemon-Garlic Chicken 1 cup_Wild rice 1 cup_Asparagus Soup 1 tbsp_Protein powder                                  |  |

LEVEL II PHASE

**MEAL PLAN APPROACH** 

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| BREAKFAST                                                                                  | SNACK                                                                | LUNCH                                                                                                | SNACK                       | DINNER                                                                                                             |
| 1_ Mushroom Omelet ■ 1 cup_Fresh strawberries 12 oz_Cottage cheese, 1%                     | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                                   | 1_Chef Salad ■                                                                                       | 30 nuts_Pistachios          | 8 oz_Salmon 3 tbsp_Lemon-Dill Sauce  1 cup_Asparagus 1 cup_Wild rice 2 cups_Red Pepper Soup  2 tbsp_Protein powder |
| 1_Protein Shake =                                                                          | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                                   | 1_Shrimp Stir-Fry ■ 1 tbsp_Sesame seeds 1 oz_Cashews                                                 | 3 oz_String cheese          | 8 oz_Turkey 3 tbsp_Gravy = 1 cup_Green beans = 2 cups_Butternut Squash Soup = 2 tbsp_Protein powder                |
| 3 slices_Turkey bacon 1_Chicken Scramble ■ 6 oz_Fresh-squeezed juice                       | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                                   | 1_Chicken Salad ■ 3 cups_Salad greens 2 cups_Vegetable Soup ■ 2 tbsp_Protein powder                  | 4 oz_Soy nuts               | 8 oz_Halibut<br>3 tbsp_Pesto Sauce ■<br>1 cup_Wild rice<br>1 cup_Zucchini                                          |
| 1_Soy Sausage Muffin ■<br>12 oz_Skim milk                                                  | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                                   | 1_Steak & Arugula Salad <b>=</b><br>3 tbsp_Balsamic Vinaigrette <b>=</b>                             | 2 oz_Turkey jerky           | 8 oz_Chicken breast 3 tbsp_Honey-Chile Sauce ■ 1 cup_Quinoa 1 cup_Snap peas                                        |
| 1_Spinach Scramble = 12 oz_Skim milk 1_Grapefruit, medium                                  | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                                   | 8 oz_Turkey Burger  3 oz_Low-fat Swiss cheese 1 cup_Coleslaw  2 cups_Gazpacho  2 tbsp_Protein powder | 12 oz_Cottage<br>cheese, 1% | 8 oz_Swordfish 3 tbsp_Mango-Ginger Sauce ■ 1 cup_Wild rice 1_Artichoke, medium                                     |
| 1_Protein Shake                                                                            | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                                   | 1_Island Pork Tenderloin<br>Salad ■                                                                  | 2 oz_Turkey jerky           | 1_Beef & Broccoli Stir-Fry = 2 cups_Miso Soup = 2 tbsp_Protein powder                                              |
| 3 slices_Turkey bacon 1_Cheese Scramble = 12 oz_Skim milk 1/4_Cantaloupe, medium  OVERVIEW | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*<br>* Immediately<br>after workout | 1_Tuna Salad   3 cups_Salad greens 2 cups_Chilled Cucumber Soup   ■                                  | 12 oz_Cottage<br>cheese, 1% | 8 oz_Lemon-Garlic Chicken  1 cup_Wild rice 2 cups_Asparagus Soup  2 tbsp_Protein powder                            |

LEVEL III PHASE

MEAL PLAN APPROACH

\_Recipe included

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| BREAKFAST                                                                                         | SNACK                                                        | LUNCH                                                                                                     | SNACK                                            | DINNER                                                                                                                |
| 1_Mushroom Omelet = 1 cup_Fresh strawberries 12 oz_Cottage cheese, 1%                             | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                           | 1_Chef Salad ■                                                                                            | 30 nuts_Pistachios<br>2 oz_Turkey jerky          | 10 oz_Salmon 4 tbsp_Lemon-Dill Sauce ■ 1 cup_Asparagus 1 cup_Wild rice 2 cups_Red Pepper Soup ■ 3 tbsp_Protein powder |
| 1_Protein Shake ■                                                                                 | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                           | 1_Shrimp Stir-Fry ■<br>2 tbsp_Sesame seeds<br>1 oz_Cashews                                                | 3 oz_String<br>cheese<br>4 oz_Soy nuts           | 10 oz_Turkey 4 tbsp_Gravy = 1 cup_Green beans 2 cups_Butternut     Squash Soup = 3 tbsp_Protein powder                |
| 4 slices_Turkey bacon 1_Chicken Scramble  8 oz_Fresh-squeezed juice                               | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                           | 1_Chicken Salad ■ 4 cups_Salad greens 2 cups_Vegetable Soup ■ 3 tbsp_Protein powder                       | 4 oz_Soy nuts 12 oz_Cottage cheese               | 10 oz_Halibut 4 tbsp_Pesto Sauce ■ 1 cup_Wild rice 1 cup_Zucchini                                                     |
| 1_Soy Sausage Muffin ■ 12 oz_Skim milk                                                            | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                           | 1_Steak & Arugula Salad <b>=</b><br>4 t <b>bsp</b> _Balsamic Vinaigrette <b>=</b>                         | 3 oz_String<br>cheese<br>1 oz_Cashews            | 10 oz_Chicken breast 4 tbsp_Honey-Chile Sauce 1 cup_Quinoa 1 cup_Snap peas                                            |
| 1_Spinach Scramble = 12 oz_Skim milk 1_Grapefruit, medium                                         | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                           | 10 oz_Turkey Burger ■ 3 oz_Low-fat Swiss cheese 2 cups_Coleslaw ■ 2 cups_Gazpacho ■ 3 tbsp_Protein powder | 12 oz_Cottage<br>cheese, 1%<br>2 oz_Turkey jerky | 10 oz_Swordfish 4 tbsp_Mango-Ginger Sauce  1 cup_Wild rice 1_Artichoke, medium                                        |
| 1_Protein Shake                                                                                   | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                           | 1_Island Pork Tenderloin<br>Salad <u>■</u>                                                                | 2 oz_Turkey jerky<br>1 oz_Almonds                | 1_Beef & Broccoli Stir-Fry == 2 cups_Miso Soup == 3 tbsp_Protein powder                                               |
| DAY 7  4 slices_Turkey bacon 1_Cheese Scramble ■ 12 oz_Skim milk 1/2_Cantaloupe, medium  OVERVIEW | 1_Protein bar 1_Recovery drink*  * Immediately after workout | 1_Tuna Salad  4 cups_Salad greens 2 cups_Chilled Cucumber Soup                                            | 12 oz_Cottage<br>cheese, 1%<br>1 oz_Almonds      | 10 oz_Lemon-Garlic Chicken  1 cup_Wild rice 2 cups_Asparagus Soup  3 tbsp_Protein powder                              |



### **ENERGY BOOSTER**

The Portion Approach was designed to allow you to mix and match the foods of your choice. There are NO specific meal plans or recipes for this approach. Just select from the Portion Approach foods listed on the following pages and eat the amounts indicated for your nutrition level. Along with identifying the right foods to buy, the list shows you which foods fall into which categories, and the appropriate portion size equal to one serving.

For example, if you are in Phase 2 and have determined that you are at nutrition level II, you would be allotted a specific number of servings per day from each food group, as follows:

| PROTEINS      | 6 servings |
|---------------|------------|
| DAIRY         | 2 servings |
| FRUITS        | 1 serving  |
| VEGETABLES    | 3 servings |
|               | 1 serving  |
| CARBOHYDRATES | 3 servings |
| SNACKS        | 2 servings |
|               |            |

(2 items from the single snack group or 1 item from the double snack group) PLUS a P90X Peak Performance Protein Bar and P90X Results and Recovery

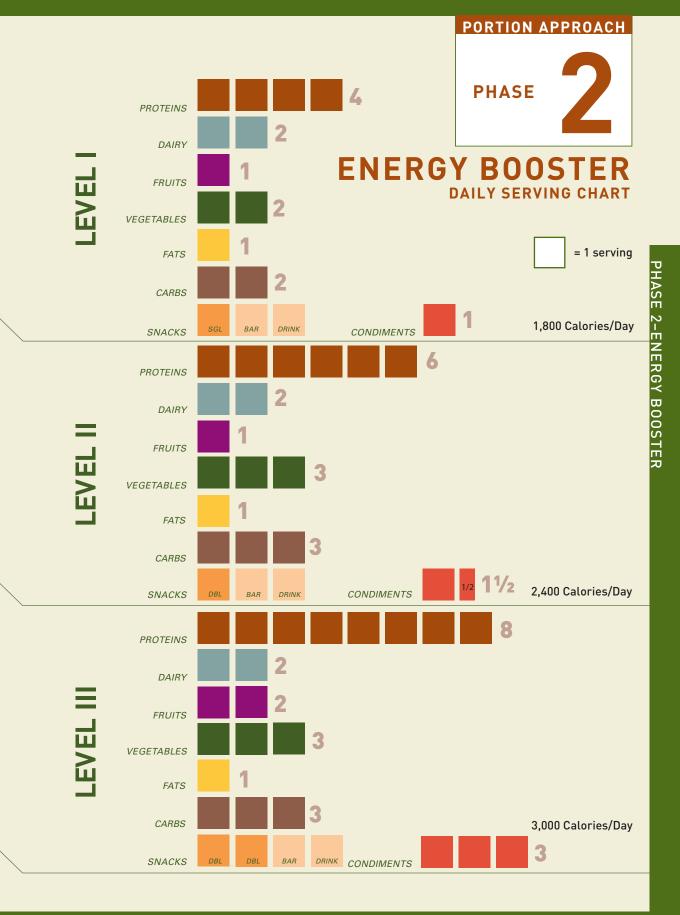
CONDIMENTS 1-1/2 servings Formula drink

### **Important Note on Snacks:**

There are two snack groups listed in your Portion Approach foods—the single group and the double group.

If the letters **SGL** appear beside a snack serving block on your Portion Chart, you can have any 1 item from the single snack group. If the letters **DBL** appear inside the snack serving block, you can have any 1 item from the double snack group OR any 2 items from the single snack group.

Additionally, if the words Bar or Drink appear inside a snack serving block, you can have a P90X Peak Performance Protein Bar and P90X Results and Recovery Formula drink along WITH your allotted snack servings.



PHASE ALL LEVELS

During Phase 2, use the following list to determine which foods to purchase from the grocery store, and how much of these foods constitutes one serving. Remember, the foods you choose to incorporate in your diet are up to you—just make sure the portions fit within the parameters of your determined nutrition level.

### **ENERGY BOOSTER**

PORTION APPROACH FOODS LIST

### **FATS**

each serving = 120 cal.

3 oz\_Avocado 1 tbsp\_Canola oil 1 tbsp\_Flaxseed oil

3 oz\_Red meat, lean

Olive oil\_1 tbsp Olives\_4 oz

### **PROTEINS**

each serving = 100 cal.

3 oz\_Boneless, skinless chicken or turkey breast
6\_Egg whites
3 oz\_Fish or shellfish
3 oz\_Ham slices, fat-free
3 oz\_Pork tenderloin
1/3 cup\_Protein powder
3 oz\_Red meat (top sirloin, flank steak)

Soy burger\_1
Soy cheese slices\_5
Tofu\_3 oz
Tuna\_3 oz
Turkey bacon\_2 slices
Veggie burger\_1
Veggie dog\_1

#### CARBOHYDRATES

each serving = 200 cal.

### GRAINS LEGUMES POTATOES

1 medium\_Bagel, whole wheat
1 cup\_Baked beans
1 cup\_Beans (kidney, black, etc.)
1\_Bran muffin (2.5 oz)
2 slices\_Bread (whole wheat, rye, or pumpernickel)
1 cup\_Cereal, whole grain
1 cup\_Couscous
12\_Crackers
2\_English muffins, whole wheat
1 cup\_Hummus
1 cup\_Lentils

Pancakes (3.6 oz)\_3
Pasta or noodles\_1 cup
Pita, whole wheat\_1 large
Potato (2" x 4-3/4")\_1
Quinoa\_1 cup
Refried beans, low-fat\_1 cup
Rice, brown or wild\_1 cup
Sweet potato\_1 medium
Tortillas, corn\_3
Tortilla, whole wheat\_1 large
Waffles, whole wheat\_2
Wheat berries 1 cup

### DAIRY PRODUCTS

each serving = 120 cal.

Note: One portion of low-fat cheese or cottage cheese counts as either a snack or a dairy portion, not both. 1-1/2 oz\_Cheese, low-fat
1 cup\_Cottage cheese, 1%
1-1/2 oz\_Feta cheese
1-1/2 oz\_Goat cheese, semisoft
1-1/2 oz\_Mozzarella, part skim
1 oz Parmesan cheese

Skim milk\_8 oz
Soy cheese\_1-1/2 oz
Soy milk\_8 oz
Yogurt, nonfat fruit-flavored\_8 oz
Yogurt, nonfat plain\_8 oz



FRUITS

each serving = 100 cal.

1 medium\_Apple
1 cup\_Apricots
1 medium\_Banana
1/4 medium\_Cantaloupe
1 cup\_Cherries
1 oz\_Dried fruit
6 oz\_Fresh-squeezed juice
1 medium\_Grapefruit
1 cup\_Grapes
1 cup\_Kiwi
1/2 medium\_Mango

Nectarine\_1 medium
Orange\_1 large
Papaya\_1/2 medium
Peach\_1 medium
Pear\_1 medium
Raspberries, blueberries,
blackberries\_1 cup
Strawberries, sliced\_2 cups
Tangerine\_1 medium
Watermelon\_1 cup

### **VEGETABLES**

each serving = 50 cal.

1 cup = cooked vegetables,
vegetable juice,
or vegetable soup
2 cups = leafy greens

Asparagus Lettuce

Beets Marinara sauce
Bok choy Mushrooms
Broccoli Peas
Brussels sprouts Peppers
Cabbage Spinach
Carrots Sprouts

Cauliflower Squash (summer or winter)

Celery String beans
Collard greens Tomatoes
Cucumber V-8° juice, lov

cucumber V-8° juice, low-sodium Eggplant Vegetable soup Kale

#### CONDIMENTS

each serving = 2 tbsp = 50 cal.

BBQ and other low-fat sauces and marinades, fat-free dressings, mustard, honey, pure fruit jams

#### **SNACKS**

single serving = 100 cal. double serving = 200 cal.

Note: One portion of low-fat cheese or cottage cheese counts as either a snack or a dairy portion, not both. Singl
8 oz\_Cottage cheese, 19
1 oz\_Dried frui
1/2\_P90X Peak Performance Protein Ba
1 tbsp\_Peanut butter with celery stick
3 cups\_Popcorn, lit
1 large\_Pretzel, sourdougl
2 oz\_Soy nut
1-1/2 oz\_String cheese
1 oz\_Turkey jerk

Double
Cheese, low-fat\_1 oz with crackers\_6
Cottage cheese, 1%\_12 oz
Hummus\_4 tbsp with carrot sticks
Nuts\_1 oz
P90X Peak Performance Protein Bar\_1
P90X Peak Recovery Formula\_12-16 oz
Soy nuts\_4 oz
String cheese\_3 oz
Turkey jerky\_2 oz

PHASE 2

**MEAL PLAN APPROACH** 

## **ENERGY BOOSTER**



### **GENERAL GUIDELINES**

Get the best of both worlds during Phase 2 of your training. To supply your body with additional energy for midstream performance, these recipes provide a balanced mix of carbohydrates and proteins. Mouthwatering muffins, meatloaf, and filet mignon are just a few of the appetizing dishes you'll find. There's also a variety of salads to keep it light at lunchtime.

# MEAL PLAN APPROACH

**ENERGY BOOSTER** 

PHASE 2

Recipe included

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| BREAKFAST                                                                                              | SNACK                                                        | LUNCH                                                                                                           | SNACK                                       | DINNER                                                                                                                                                       |
| 1 cup_Oatmeal 8 oz_Skim milk 1 tbsp_Protein powder 1/2 oz_Raisins                                      | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                           | 1_Shrimp Pasta<br>Pomodoro ■                                                                                    | 8 oz_Cottage<br>cheese, 1%                  | 6 oz_Extra-lean burger patty 1-1/2 oz_Low-fat melted cheese 2 cups_Salad greens w/ cucumber and tomatoes 2 tbsp_Dressing (your choice) 1/2 cup_Fresh berries |
| 1_Whole wheat bagel<br>8 oz_Cottage cheese, 1%<br>1_Orange, medium                                     | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                           | 1_Grilled Chicken Burrito ■                                                                                     | 1 oz_Turkey<br>jerky                        | 6 oz_Halibut<br>2 tbsp_Sauce (your choice)<br>1_Artichoke, medium                                                                                            |
| 1_Pear and Granola Muffin = 8 oz_Nonfat yogurt 1 cup_Strawberries, sliced                              | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                           | Tuna Roll-Up: 6 oz_Tuna Salad ■ (see Phase 1 recipes) 1_Whole wheat tortilla 1/4 cup_Sprouts and diced tomatoes | 8 oz_Cottage<br>cheese, 1%                  | 6 oz_Chicken breast 2 tbsp_Sauce (your choice) 2 cups_Mushroom,                                                                                              |
| 1_Protein Shake (see Phase 1 recipes)                                                                  | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                           | Turkey Breast Sandwich: 6 oz_Fat-free turkey breast 2 slices_Whole wheat toast 1 leaf_Lettuce 2 slices_Tomato   | <b>8 oz_</b> Nonfat<br>plain yogurt         | 6 oz_Salmon 2 tbsp_Green Apple Salsa  1 cup_Asparagus 2 cups_Salad greens 2 tbsp_Dressing (your choice)                                                      |
| 2_Whole wheat waffles<br>1/2_Banana, medium<br>2 tbsp_Low-sugar<br>maple syrup<br>8 oz_Skim milk       | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                           | 1_Chicken Pita <b>≡</b>                                                                                         | <b>1 oz_</b> Turkey<br>jerky                | 6 oz_Grilled Ahi Tuna<br>Salad ■<br>2 tbsp_Lime-Soy<br>Vinaigrette ■                                                                                         |
| 6_Egg whites 1_Breakfast Potatoes 8 oz_Cottage cheese, 1% 6 oz_Fresh-squeezed juice                    | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                           | 1_White Bean and<br>Tuna Salad ■                                                                                | 1 tbsp_Peanut<br>butter w/ celery<br>sticks | 6 oz_Italian Meatloaf ■ 2 cups_Spinach and romaine salad 1-1/2 oz_Mozzarella cheese, cubed 2 tbsp_Dressing (your choice)                                     |
| 3_Pancakes, 3.6 oz 2 tbsp_Low-sugar maple syrup 1 cup_Blueberries 8 oz_Skim milk 1 tbsp_Protein powder | 1_Protein bar 1_Recovery drink*  * Immediately after workout | 1_Chicken Caesar Salad ≡<br>2 tbsp_Caesar Dressing ≡                                                            | 1-1/2 oz_String<br>cheese                   | 6 oz_Filet mignon 2 tbsp_Pear and Peppercorn Sauce 1 cup_Portobello mushrooms                                                                                |

## **ENERGY BOOSTER**

\_Recipe included

LEVEL II PHASE 2

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| BREAKFAST                                                                                              | SNACK                                                               | LUNCH                                                                                                                                                    | SNACK                                                           | DINNER                                                                                                                                                                          |  |
| 1 cup_Oatmeal 8 oz_Skim milk 1 tbsp_Protein powder 1/2 oz_Raisins                                      | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                                  | 1_Shrimp Pasta Pomodoro ■  1 oz_Low-fat cheese w/ 6_Crackers                                                                                             |                                                                 | 9 oz_Extra-lean burger patty 3 oz_Low-fat melted cheese 1_Baked potato, medium 3 cups_Salad greens w/ cucumber and tomatoes 3 tbsp_Dressing (your choice) 1/2 cup_Fresh berries |  |
| 1_Whole wheat bagel<br>8 oz_Cottage cheese, 1%<br>1_Orange, medium                                     | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                                  | 1 cup_Gazpacho                                                                                                                                           |                                                                 | 9 oz_Halibut<br>3 tbsp_Sauce (your choice)<br>1_Artichoke, medium<br>1 cup_Wheat berries                                                                                        |  |
| 1_Pear and Granola Muffin ■ 8 oz_Nonfat yogurt 1 cup_Strawberries, sliced                              | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                                  | Tuna Roll-Up: 9 oz_Tuna Salad ■ (see Phase 1 recipes) 1_Whole wheat tortilla 1/4 cup_Sprouts and diced tomatoes                                          | 3 cups_Lite popcorn<br>1-1/2 oz_String<br>cheese                | 9 oz_Chicken breast 3 tbsp_Sauce (your choice) 2 cups_Mushroom, zucchini, and onion sauté 6 oz_Grated Parmesan cheese 1 cup_Brown rice                                          |  |
| 1_Protein Shake (see Phase 1 recipes)                                                                  | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                                  | Turkey Breast Sandwich: 9 oz_Fat-free turkey breast 2 slices_Whole-wheat toast 1 leaf_Lettuce 2 slices_Tomato 1 cup_Vegetable Soup (see Phase 1 recipes) | 8 oz_Nonfat<br>fruit-flavored<br>yogurt                         | 9 oz_Salmon 3 tbsp_Green Apple Salsa ■ 1 cup_Asparagus 1_Baked potato, medium 3 cups_Salad greens 3 tbsp_Dressing (your choice)                                                 |  |
| 2_Whole wheat waffles 1/2_Banana, medium 3 tbsp_Low-sugar maple syrup 8 oz_Skim milk                   | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                                  | 1_Chicken Pita ■                                                                                                                                         | _Chicken Pita ■ 1 oz_Turkey jerky 1_Sourdough pretzel           |                                                                                                                                                                                 |  |
| 6_Egg whites 1_Breakfast Potatoes 8 oz_Cottage cheese, 1% 6 oz_Fresh-squeezed juice                    | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*                                  | 1_White Bean and Tuna<br>Salad ■                                                                                                                         | 1 tbsp_Peanut<br>butter w/ celery<br>sticks<br>1 oz_Dried fruit | 9 oz_Italian Meatloaf ■ 1_Baked potato, medium 3 cups_Spinach and romaine salad 3 oz_Mozzarella cheese, cubed 3 tbsp_Dressing (your choice)                                     |  |
| 3_Pancakes, 3.6 oz 3 tbsp_Low-sugar maple syrup 1 cup_Blueberries 8 oz_Skim milk 1 tbsp_Protein powder | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink*<br>*Immediately<br>after workout | 1_Chicken Caesar Salad ■<br>3 tbsp_Caesar Dressing ■                                                                                                     | 2 oz_Soy nuts<br>3 cups_Lite popcorn                            | 9 oz_Filet mignon 3 tbsp_Pear and Peppercorn Sauce 1 cup_Portobello mushrooms 1 cup_Wild rice 28                                                                                |  |

### **MEAL PLAN APPROACH**

## **ENERGY BOOSTER**

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PHASE 2

| _Recipe included                                                                                                 |                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                            | FIIASE                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                  |
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| BREAKFAST                                                                                                        | SNACK                                                               | LUNCH                                                                                                                                                      | SNACK                                                                   | DINNER                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 1 cup_Oatmeal 8 oz_Skim milk 1 tbsp_Protein powder 1/2 oz_Raisins                                                | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink                                   | 1_Shrimp Pasta<br>Pomodoro ■<br>1 cup_Melon                                                                                                                | 1 oz_Low-fat<br>cheese w/<br>6_Crackers<br>1_Sourdough<br>pretzel       | 12 oz_Extra-lean burger patty 3 oz_Low-fat melted cheese 1_Baked potato, medium 4 cups_Salad greens w/ cucumber and tomatoes 4 tbsp_Dressing (your choice) 1/2 cup_Fresh berries |
| 1_Whole wheat bagel<br>8 oz_Cottage cheese, 1%<br>1_Orange, medium                                               | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink                                   | 1_Grilled Chicken Burrito ■ 2 cups_Gazpacho ■ (see Phase 1 recipes)                                                                                        | 4 tbsp_Hummus w/<br>carrot sticks<br>1 oz_Turkey jerky                  | 12 oz_Halibut<br>4 tbsp_Sauce (your choice)<br>1_Artichoke, medium<br>1 cup_Wheat berries<br>1_Nectarine, medium                                                                 |
| 1_Pear and Granola  Muffin =  8 oz_Nonfat yogurt  1 cup_Strawberries, sliced                                     | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink                                   | Tuna Roll-Up:  12 oz_Tuna Salad   (see Phase 1 recipes)  1_Whole wheat tortilla  1/4 cup_Sprouts and diced tomatoes  1_Peach, medium                       | 1 oz_Almonds<br>3 cups_Lite<br>popcorn                                  | 12 oz_Chicken breast 4 tbsp_Sauce (your choice) 2 cups_Mushroom, zucchini, and onion sauté 9 oz_Grated Parmesan cheese 1 cup_Brown rice                                          |
| 1_Protein Shake (see Phase 1 recipes)                                                                            | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink                                   | Turkey Breast Sandwich: 12 oz_Fat-free turkey breast 2 slices_Whole wheat toast 1 leaf_Lettuce 2 slices_Tomato 1 cup_Vegetable Soup  (see Phase 1 recipes) | 8 oz_Nonfat<br>fruit-flavored<br>yogurt<br>3 cups_Lite<br>popcorn       | 12 oz_Salmon 4 tbsp_Green Apple Salsa ■ 1 cup_Asparagus 1_Baked potato, medium 4 cups_Salad greens 4 tbsp_Dressing (your choice)                                                 |
| 2_Whole wheat waffles 1/2_Banana, medium 4 tbsp_Low-sugar maple syrup 8 oz_Skim milk                             | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink                                   | 1_Chicken Pita ■<br>1 cup_Grapes                                                                                                                           | 2 oz_Soy nuts<br>2 oz_Turkey jerky                                      | 12 oz_Grilled Ahi Tuna Salad ■ 4 tbsp_Lime-Soy Vinaigrette ■ 1_Whole grain roll                                                                                                  |
| 6_Egg whites 1_Breakfast Potatoes 8 oz_Cottage cheese, 1% 6 oz_Fresh-squeezed juice                              | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink                                   | 1_White Bean and<br>Tuna Salad ■                                                                                                                           | 8 oz_Nonfat fruit-flavored yogurt 1 tbsp_Peanut butter w/ celery sticks | 12 oz_Italian Meatloaf ■ 1_Baked potato, medium 4 cups_Spinach and romaine salad 3 oz_Mozzarella cheese, cubed 4 tbsp_Dressing (your choice)                                     |
| 3_Pancakes, 3.6 oz 4 tbsp_Low-sugar maple syrup 1 cup_Blueberries 8 oz_Skim milk 1 tbsp_Protein powder  OVERVIEW | 1_Protein bar<br>1_Recovery drink<br>* Immediately<br>after workout | 1_Chicken Caesar Salad = 4 thsp_Caesar Dressing = 1 cup_Strawberries, sliced                                                                               | 1 oz_Low-fat<br>cheese w/<br>6_Crackers<br>1_Sourdough<br>pretzel       | 12 oz_Filet mignon 4 tbsp_Pear and Peppercorn Sauce ■ 1 cup_Portobello mushrooms 1 cup_Wild rice 29                                                                              |



The Portion Approach was designed to allow you to mix and match the foods of your choice. There are NO specific meal plans or recipes for this approach. Just select from the Portion Approach foods listed on the following pages and eat the amounts indicated for your nutrition level. Along with identifying the right foods to buy, the list shows you which foods fall into which categories, and the appropriate portion size equal to one serving.

For example, if you are in Phase 3 and have determined that you are at nutrition level II, you would be allotted a specific number of servings per day from each food group, as follows:

| PROTEINS      | 3 servings |
|---------------|------------|
| DAIRY         | 1 serving  |
| FRUITS        | 3 servings |
| VEGETABLES    | 3 servings |
|               | 1 serving  |
| CARBOHYDRATES | 4 servings |
| SNACKS        | 3 servings |

(1 item from the single snack group plus 1 item from the double snack group) PLUS a P90X Results and Recovery Formula drink

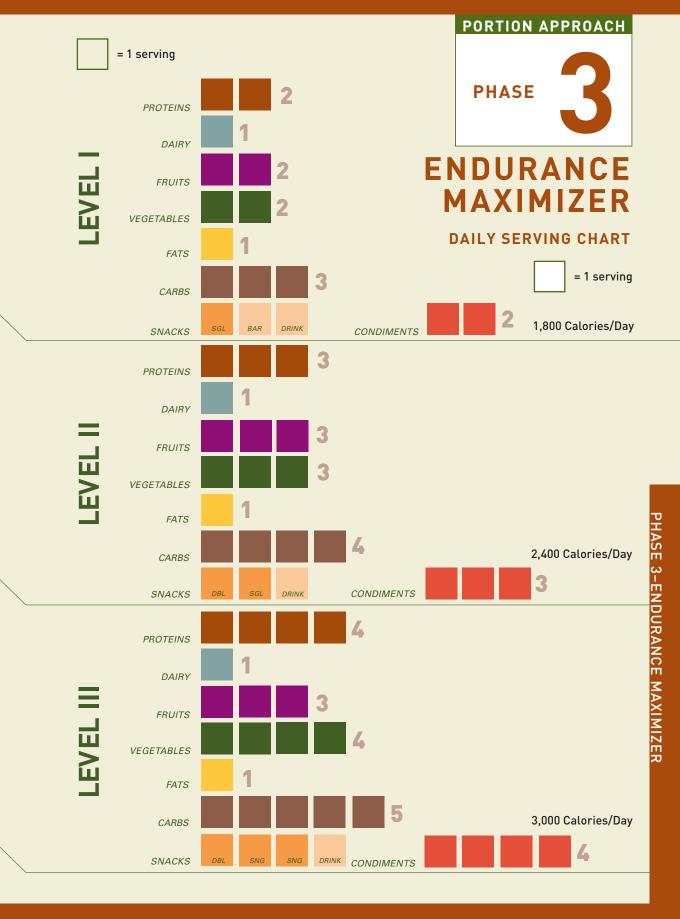
CONDIMENTS 3 servings

### Important Note on Snacks:

There are two snack groups listed in your Portion Approach foods—the single group and the double group.

If the letters **SGL** appear beside a snack serving block on your Portion Chart, you can have any 1 item from the single snack group. If the letters **DBL** appear inside the snack serving block, you can have any 1 item from the double snack group OR any 2 items from the single snack group.

Additionally, if the words Bar or Drink appear inside a snack serving block, you can have a P90X Peak Performance Protein Bar and P90X Results and Recovery Formula drink along WITH your allotted snack servings.



### **PORTION APPROACH**

During Phase 3, use the following list to determine which foods to purchase from the grocery store, and how much of these foods constitutes one serving. Remember, the foods you choose to incorporate in your diet are up to you—just make sure the portions fit within the parameters of your determined nutrition level.



### **ENDURANCE MAXIMIZER**

### PORTION APPROACH FOODS LIST

### **FATS**

each serving = 120 cal.

3 oz\_Avocado 1 tbsp\_Canola oil 1 tbsp\_Flaxseed oil Olive oil\_1 tbsp
Olives\_4 oz

### **PROTEINS**

each serving = 100 cal.

3 oz\_Boneless, skinless, chicken or turkey breast
6\_Egg whites
3 oz\_Fish and shellfish
3 oz\_Ham slices, fat-free
3 oz\_Pork tenderloin

1/3 cup\_Protein powder
3 oz\_Red meat (top sirloin, flank steak)
3 oz\_Red meat, lean

Soy burger\_1
Soy cheese slices\_5
Tofu\_3 oz
Tuna\_3 oz
Turkey bacon\_2 slices
Veggie burger\_1
Veggie dog\_1

Pancakes (3.6 oz)\_3

### **CARBOHYDRATES**

each serving = 200 cal.

### GRAINS LEGUMES POTATOES

1 medium\_Bagel, whole wheat
1 cup\_Baked beans
1 cup\_Beans (kidney, black, etc.)
1\_Bran muffin (2.5 oz)
2 slices\_Bread (whole wheat, rye, or pumpernickel)
1 cup\_Cereal, whole grain

1 cup\_Couscous 12\_Crackers 2\_English muffins, whole wheat 1 cup\_Hummus

1 cup\_Lentils
1 cup\_Oatmeal

Pasta or noodles\_1 cup
Pita, whole wheat\_1 large
Potato (2" x 4-3/4")\_1
Quinoa\_1 cup
Refried beans, low-fat\_1 cup
Rice, brown or wild\_1 cup
Sweet potato\_1 medium
Tortillas, corn\_3
Tortilla, whole wheat\_1 large
Waffles, whole wheat\_2
Wheat berries\_1 cup

### DAIRY PRODUCTS

each serving = 120 cal.

Note: One portion of low-fat cheese or cottage cheese counts as either a snack or a dairy portion, not both. 1-1/2 oz\_Cheese, low-fat
1 cup\_Cottage cheese, 1%
1-1/2 oz\_Feta cheese
-1/2 oz\_Goat cheese, semisoft
1-1/2 oz\_Mozzarella, part-skim

Parmesan cheese\_1 oz
Skim milk\_8 oz
Soy cheese\_1-1/2 oz
Soy milk\_8 oz
Yogurt, nonfat plain\_8 oz



### **FRUITS**

each serving = 100 cal.

1 medium\_Apple
1 cup\_Apricots
1 medium\_Banana
1/4 medium\_Cantaloupe
1 cup\_Cherries
1 oz\_Dried fruit
6 oz\_Fresh-squeezed juice
1 medium\_Grapefruit
1 cup\_Grapes
1 cup\_Kiwi
1/2 medium\_ Mango

Nectarine\_1 medium
Orange\_1 large
Papaya\_1/2 medium
Peach\_1 medium
Pear\_1 medium
Raspberries, blueberries,
blackberries\_1 cup
Strawberries, sliced\_2 cups
Tangerine\_1 medium
Watermelon\_1 cup

### **VEGETABLES**

each serving = 50 cal.

1 cup = cooked vegetables,
vegetable juice,
or vegetable soup
2 cups = leafy greens

### CONDIMENTS

each serving = 2 tbsp = 50 cal.

### SNACKS

single serving = 100 cal. double serving = 200 cal.

Note: One portion of low-fat cheese or cottage cheese counts as either a snack or a dairy portion, not both. Asparagus Lettuce

Beets Marinara sauce
Bok choy Mushrooms
Broccoli Peas
Brussels sprouts Peppers
Cabbage Spinach

Carrots Sprouts

Cauliflower Squash (summer or winter)

Celery String beans

Collard greens Tomatoes

Cucumber V-8® juice, lo

Cucumber V-8® juice, low-sodium Eggplant Vegetable soup

BBQ and other low-fat sauces and marinades, fat-free dressings, mustard, honey, pure fruit jams

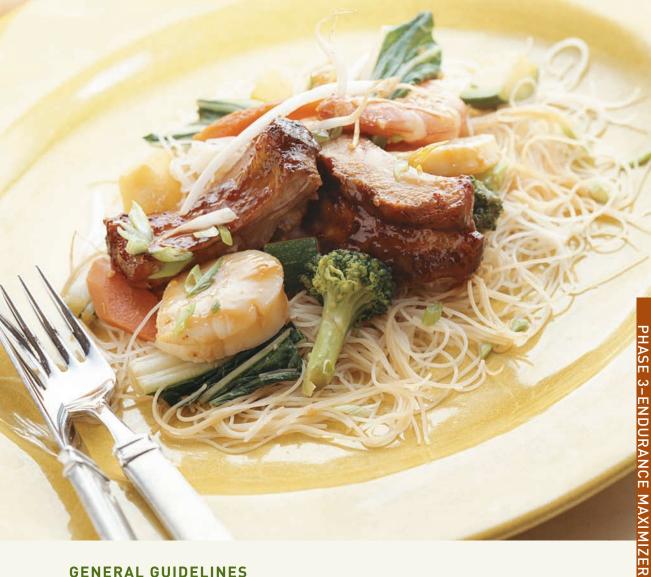
#### Single

Kale

1 oz\_Dried fru
3\_Fig Newton
1\_Frozen fruit ba
1 medium piece\_Fru
8 oz\_Fruit sorbe
12\_Mini rice cake
4 oz\_Nonfat frozen yogui
bsp\_Peanut butter with celery stick
1 oz\_Pita chip
3 cups\_Popcorn, lit
1 large\_Pretzel, sourdoug
2 oz\_Soy nut
1-1/2 oz\_String chees
1 oz\_Tortilla chips, low-fa

#### Double

Bean dip\_4 tbsp with chips\_1 oz Cheese, low-fat\_1 oz with crackers\_6 Hummus\_4 tbsp with carrot sticks Nuts\_1 oz P90X Peak Performance Protein Bar\_1 P90X Peak Recovery Formula\_12-16 oz Soy nuts\_4 oz String cheese\_3 oz



### **GENERAL GUIDELINES**

If you've been craving those traditional carb favorites like pancakes, pasta, and potatoes, then welcome to Phase 3. The high-carbohydrate recipes in this section will help keep you energized during the final stretch. Additionally, there are plenty of great-tasting meat, poultry, and seafood entrees to ensure fast muscle recovery.

Recipe included

PHASE 3

**MEAL PLAN APPROACH** 

| Recipe incl                                                                                               | luded                                          |                                                                                                | PHASE •                                                                |                                                                                                                                        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| BREAKFAST                                                                                                 | SNACK                                          | LUNCH                                                                                          | SNACK                                                                  | DINNER                                                                                                                                 |
| DAY 1  1_Blueberry Muffin ■ 8 oz_Nonfat plain yogurt 1 cup_Berries                                        | 1_Recovery drink*                              | 1_Veggie burger<br>1/2_Whole grain bun<br>2 cups_Salad greens<br>2 tbsp_Dressing (your choice) | 3_Fig Newtons<br>1_Sourdough<br>pretzel                                | 6 oz_Chicken 2 tbsp_Apricot Sauce   1/2_Baked yam, medium 1 cup_Green beans, steamed 1/4_Mango                                         |
| 2_Whole grain waffles 1 tbsp_Peanut butter 8 oz_Skim milk 1_Banana, medium                                | 1_Recovery drink*                              | 1_Pasta Salad■                                                                                 | 12_Mini rice cakes<br>1_Frozen fruit bar                               | 6 oz_Halibut 2 tbsp_Mustard CreamSauce 1 cup_Brown rice 2 cups_Spinach, steamed 1 cup_Raspberries                                      |
| 1_Whole grain roll 1/2 cup_Low-fat ricotta cheese 4 slices_Roma tomato drizzle_Olive oil 1 cup_Cantaloupe | 1_Recovery drink*                              | 1 cup_Black and White Bean Chili = 2 cups_Salad greens 2 tbsp_Dressing (your choice)           | 3 cups_Lite<br>popcorn<br>4 oz_Nonfat frozen<br>yogurt                 | 6 oz_Flank steak, grilled 2 tbsp_Steak sauce 1_Baked potato, medium 1 cup_Onion, zucchini, and stewed tomato sauté 1_Nectarine, medium |
| 1/2 cup_Low-fat granola<br>8 oz_Nonfat plain yogurt<br>1 cup_Strawberries, sliced                         | 1_Recovery drink*                              | 1_Stuffed Baked Potato ■ 2 cups_Salad greens 2 tbsp_Dressing (your choice)                     | 1 oz_Dried fruit<br>2 oz_Soy nuts                                      | 6 oz_Mediterranean Shrimp Kebabs ■ 1 cup_White rice 1_Orange, medium                                                                   |
| 3_Oatmeal Pancakes = 2 tbsp_Low-sugar maple syrup 1 cup_Applesauce                                        | 1_Recovery drink*                              | 1_Grilled Veggie Focaccia ■<br>1 cup_Melon                                                     | 8 oz_Fruit sorbet<br>12_Mini rice cakes                                | 6 oz_Chicken 2 tbsp_Barbecue Sauce ■ 1 cup_Nonfat baked beans 2 cups_Salad greens 2 tbsp_Dressing (your choice)                        |
| 8 oz_Cottage cheese, 1% 1 cup_Pineapple chunks 2 slices_Whole wheat toast 2 tsp_Pure fruit jam            | 1_Recovery drink*                              | 1_Spicy Chinese Noodles ■                                                                      | 1_Sourdough<br>pretzel<br>4 oz_Nonfat frozen<br>yogurt                 | 6 oz_Salmon 2 tbsp_Dijonnaise Sauce ■ 1 cup_Quinoa 1 cup_Broccoli, steamed 1 cup_Grapes                                                |
| 1_Whole wheat bagel 2 tbsp_Fat-free cream cheese 8 oz_Nonfat plain yogurt 1 cup_Berries  OVERVIEW         | 1_Recovery drink*  * Immediately after workout | 1_Vegetarian Tostada ■                                                                         | 1_Medium<br>fresh fruit<br>1 tbsp_Peanut<br>butter w/<br>celery sticks | 6 oz_Pork Chop with Apple and Sweet Potato  1 cup_Peas 2 cups_Salad greens 2 tbsp_Dressing (your choice) 35                            |

\_Recipe included

LEVEL II
PHASE

| E                | REAKFAST                                                                                   | SNACK                                          | LUNCH                                                                                              | SNACK                                                             | DINNER                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |        |
|------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| 1                | _Blueberry Muffin ■ Coz_Nonfat plain yogurt cup_Berries                                    | 1_Recovery drink*                              | 1_Whole grain bun 3 cups_Salad greens cheese 3 tbsp_Dressing (your choice) 1 cup_Melon             |                                                                   | 9 oz_Chicken 3 thsp_Apricot Sauce 1_Baked yam, medium 1 cup_Green beans, steamed 3 cups_Salad greens 3 thsp_Dressing (your choice) 4_Mango                                                                                     |        |
| 3<br>2<br>8      | Whole grain waffles tbsp_Peanut butter toz_Skim milk Banana, medium                        | 1_Recovery drink*                              | 1 cup_Melon tortilla chips w/ 4 tbsp_Bean dip 1_Medium fruit                                       |                                                                   | 9 oz_Halibut 3 tbsp_Mustard Cream Sauce ■ 1 cup_Brown rice 3 cups_Spinach, steamed 1_Peach, medium                                                                                                                             |        |
| 1<br>1<br>4<br>d | _Whole grain roll /2 cup_Low-fat                                                           | 1_Recovery drink*                              | 2 cups_Black and White Bean Chili ■ 3 cups_Salad greens 3 tbsp_Dressing (your choice) 1 cup_Grapes | 3 cups_Lite<br>popcorn<br>8 oz_Nonfat<br>fruit-flavored<br>yogurt | 9 oz_Flank steak, grilled<br>3 tbsp_Steak sauce<br>1_Baked potato, medium<br>2 cups_Onion, zucchini,<br>and stewed tomato sauté<br>1_Nectarine, medium                                                                         |        |
| 1                | /2 cup_Low-fat granola<br>loz_Nonfat plain yogurt<br>cup_Strawberries, sliced              | 1_Recovery drink*                              | 2_Stuffed Baked Potatoes ■ 3 cups_Salad greens 3 tbsp_Dressing (your choice) 1_Orange, medium      | 1 oz_Pita chips w/<br>4 tbsp_Hummus<br>w/ carrot sticks           | 9 oz_Mediterranean Shrimp Kebabs  1 cup_White rice 3 cups_Salad greens 3 tbsp_Dressing (your choice) 1 cup_Melon                                                                                                               | ם ביים |
| 3<br>3<br>1      | a_Oatmeal Pancakes ■ Stbsp_Low-sugar maple syrup cup_Applesauce oz_Skim milk               | 1_Recovery drink*                              | 1_Grilled Veggie Focaccia ■<br>1 cup_Tabouli salad<br>1_Peach, medium                              | 8 oz_Fruit sorbet<br>1-1/2 oz_String<br>cheese<br>6_Crackers      | Shrimp Kebabs  1 cup_White rice 3 cups_Salad greens 3 tbsp_Dressing (your choice) 1 cup_Melon  9 oz_Chicken 3 tbsp_Barbecue Sauce 1 cup_Nonfat baked beans 3 cups_Salad greens 3 tbsp_Dressing (your choice) 1 cup_Fruit salad |        |
| 1                | s oz_Cottage cheese, 1% cup_Pineapple chunks stices_Whole wheat toast stsp_Pure fruit jam  | 1_Recovery drink*                              | 1_Spicy Chinese Noodles ■ 3 cups_Salad greens 3 tbsp_Dressing (your choice) 1 cup_Fruit salad      | 1 oz_Almonds<br>1 oz_Dried fruit<br>8 oz_Nonfat plain<br>yogurt   | 9 oz_Salmon 3 tbsp_Dijonnaise Sauce   1 cup_Quinoa 1 cup_Broccoli, steamed 1 cup_Grapes                                                                                                                                        |        |
| 1<br>2<br>8      | Whole wheat bagel tbsp_Fat-free cream cheese toz_Nonfat plain yogurt cup_Berries  OVERVIEW | 1_Recovery drink*  * Immediately after workout | 1_Vegetarian Tostada ■<br>1 cup_Fruit salad                                                        | 1 oz_Cashews<br>1 oz_Dried fruit                                  | 9 oz_Pork Chop with Apple<br>and Sweet Potato ■<br>1 cup_Peas<br>3 cups_Salad greens<br>3 tbsp_Dressing (your choice)                                                                                                          |        |
|                  |                                                                                            |                                                |                                                                                                    |                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |        |

Recipe included

LEVEL III

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|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| BREAKFAST                                                                                                                | SNACK                                          | LUNCH                                                                                                          | SNACK                                                                              | DINNER                                                                                                                                                  |
| 1_Blueberry Muffin = 8 oz_Nonfat plain yogurt 1 cup_Berries 1/2 cup_Low-fat granola                                      | 1_Recovery drink*                              | 1_Veggie burger 1_Whole grain bun 4 cups_Salad greens 4 tbsp_Dressing (your choice) 1 cup_Melon                | 1 oz_Almonds<br>1 oz_Dried fruit<br>8 oz_Nonfat<br>frozen yogurt                   | 12 oz_Chicken 4 tbsp_Apricot Sauce ■ 1_Baked yam, medium 1 cup_Green beans, steamed 4 cups_Salad greens 4 tbsp_Dressing (your choice) 1/4_Mango         |
| 4_Whole grain waffles 2 tbsp_Peanut butter 8 oz_Skim milk 1_Banana, medium                                               | 1_Recovery drink*                              | 1_Pasta Salad ■<br>1 cup_Melon                                                                                 | 1 oz_Low-fat<br>tortilla chips w/<br>4 tbsp_Bean dip<br>1_Frozen fruit bar         | 12 oz_Halibut 4 tbsp_Mustard Cream Sauce ■ 1 cup_Brown rice 3 cups_Spinach, steamed 1_Peach, medium                                                     |
| 1_Whole grain roll 1/2 cup_Low-fat ricotta cheese 4 slices_Roma tomato drizzle_Olive oil 1 cup_Cantaloupe                | 1_Recovery drink*                              | 2 cups_Black and White  Bean Chili ■ 4 cups_Salad greens 4 tbsp_Dressing (your choice) 1 cup_Grapes 6_Crackers | 3 cups_Lite popcorn 8 oz_Nonfat fruit- flavored yogurt 2 oz_Soy nuts               | 12 oz_Flank steak, grilled<br>4 tbsp_Steak sauce<br>1_Baked potato, medium<br>2 cups_Onion, zucchini,<br>and stewed tomato sauté<br>1_Nectarine, medium |
| 1 cup_Low-fat granola 8 oz_Nonfat plain yogurt 1 cup_Strawberries, sliced                                                | 1_Recovery drink*                              | 2_Stuffed Baked Potatoes ■ 4 cups_Salad greens 4 tbsp_Dressing (your choice) 1_Orange, medium                  | 1 oz_Pita chips<br>4 tbsp_Hummus<br>w/ carrots<br>1 oz_Dried fruit                 | 12 oz_Mediterranean Shrimp Kebabs ■ 1 cup_White rice 4 cups_Salad greens 4 tbsp_Dressing (your choice) 1 cup_Melon                                      |
| 4_Oatmeal Pancakes 4 tbsp_Low-sugar maple syrup 1 cup_Applesauce 8 oz_Skim milk                                          | 1_Recovery drink*                              | 1_Grilled Veggie Focaccia ■<br>1 cup_Tabouli salad<br>1_Peach, medium                                          | 8 oz_Fruit sorbet 1-1/2 oz_String     cheese w/ 6_Crackers 3 cups_Lite     popcorn | 12 oz_Chicken 4 tbsp_Barbecue Sauce ■ 1 cup_Nonfat baked beans 4 cups_Salad greens 4 tbsp_Dressing (your choice) 1 cup_Fruit salad                      |
| 8 oz_Cottage cheese, 1% 1 cup_Pineapple chunks 4 slices_Whole wheat toast 3 tsp_Pure fruit jam                           | 1_Recovery drink*                              | 1_Spicy Chinese Noodles ■ 4 cups_Salad greens 4 tbsp_Dressing (your choice) 1 cup_Fruit salad                  | 1_Sourdough<br>pretzel<br>8 oz_Frozen yogurt<br>1_Fruit, medium                    | 12 oz_Salmon 4 tbsp_Dijonnaise Sauce ■ 1 cup_Quinoa 1 cup_Broccoli, steamed 1 cup_Grapes                                                                |
| 1_Whole wheat bagel 2 tbsp_Fat-free cream cheese 8 oz_Nonfat plain yogurt 1 cup_Berries 1/2 cup_Low-fat granola OVERVIEW | 1_Recovery drink*  * Immediately after workout | 1_Vegetarian Tostada ■<br>1 cup_Fruit salad                                                                    | 1 oz_Cashews<br>1 oz_Dried fruit<br>1_Sourdough<br>pretzel                         | 12 oz_Pork Chop with Apple and Sweet Potato  1 cup_Peas 4 cups_Salad greens 4 tbsp_Dressing (your choice)                                               |



### QUICK OPTIONS

# CONVENIENCE FOODS GUIDELINES

If you just don't have the time to prepare anything more elaborate than toast, here are some brands you can consider the next time you hit the frozen food section. These foods can be used sparingly when needed, but do not exceed more than one per day.

Follow the calories, fat, and sodium guidelines below:

- \_Amy's Kitchen
- Weight Watchers Smart Ones
- Lean Cuisine
- \_Cascadian Farms
- \_Cedarlane Natural Food
- \_Healthy Choice

| LEVEL I   | 1,800 CALORIES | Up to 400 calories per meal | 10 g fat | 600 mg sodium   |
|-----------|----------------|-----------------------------|----------|-----------------|
| LEVEL II  | 2,400 CALORIES | Up to 600 calories per meal | 12 g fat | 800 mg sodium   |
| LEVEL III | 3,000 CALORIES | Up to 800 calories per meal | 15 g fat | 1,000 mg sodium |

### QUICK AT-HOME DISHES

Try these healthy and tasty quick dishes that are a snap to prepare.

SERVING SIZE

|            | OEHVIIVO OIZE             |          |                |  |  |  |
|------------|---------------------------|----------|----------------|--|--|--|
| SOFT TACOS | Chicken                   | 6 oz.    | 2 protein      |  |  |  |
|            | Corn tortillas            | 2        | 1 carbohydrate |  |  |  |
|            | Salsa                     | to taste | 1 condiment    |  |  |  |
| STIR-FRY   | Shrimp or chicken         | 6 oz.    | 2 protein      |  |  |  |
|            | Rice                      | 1 cup    | 1 carbohydrate |  |  |  |
|            | Vegetables                | 1 cup    | 1 vegetable    |  |  |  |
|            | Soy sauce                 | to taste | 1 condiment    |  |  |  |
| TUNA SALAD | Tuna                      | 6 oz.    | 2 protein      |  |  |  |
|            | Bread                     | 2 slices | 1 carbohydrate |  |  |  |
|            | Salad greens              | 2 cups   | 1 vegetable    |  |  |  |
|            | Fat-free dressing or mayo | 2 tbsp   | 1 condiment    |  |  |  |
| BURGER     | Soy or turkey burger      | 1        | 2 protein      |  |  |  |
|            | Lettuce, tomato, onion    | to taste | 1 vegetable    |  |  |  |
|            | Ketchup and mustard       | to taste | 1 condiment    |  |  |  |

### **FAST FOODS**

Finally, for those who need to catch a quick meal while away from home, here are some of the best fast food choices.

### **GUIDELINES**

The majority of fast foods have a high fat and sodium content. You should NOT exceed one fast food meal per day, a few times a week. Use with Portion Approach servings.

### **IMPORTANT**

You can eat chicken, turkey, or beef without the bun or bread. Avoid high-fat dressings on salads. Refer to the Portion Approach for proper servings.

You can eat chicken, turkey, or beef with half the bun or bread. Avoid PHASE You can eat chicken, turkey, or beet with half the bun or bread. Avoid high-fat dressings on salads. Refer to the Portion Approach for proper servings.

You can eat chicken, turkey, or beef with the whole bun or bread. Avoid high-fat dressings on salads. Refer to the Portion Approach for proper servings.

|                                                | CALORIES             | PROTEIN            | CARB.                | FAT         |
|------------------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-------------|
|                                                |                      |                    |                      |             |
| SUBWAY<br>Includes Italian or wheat bread, let | tuce, tomatoes, onic | ons, green pepper, | olives, and pickles. |             |
| 6-inch Ham                                     | 290                  | 1 Serving          | 1 Serving            | ½ Serving   |
| 6-inch Roast Beef                              | 290                  | 1 Serving          | 1 Serving            | ½ Serving   |
| 6-inch Subway Club                             | 320                  | 1 Serving          | 1 Serving            | ½ Serving   |
| 6-inch Turkey Breast                           | 280                  | ½ Serving          | 1 Serving            | 1/4 Serving |
| 6-inch Veggie Delite                           | 230                  | ½ Serving          | ½ Serving            | ½ Serving   |
| 6-inch Sweet Onion<br>Chicken Teriyaki         | 370                  | 1 Serving          | 1½ Servings          | ½ Serving   |
| 6-inch Turkey Breast and Ham                   | 290                  | 1 Serving          | 1 Serving            | ½ Serving   |
|                                                |                      |                    |                      |             |
| SALADS WITHOUT DRESSING                        |                      |                    |                      |             |
| Ham                                            | 120                  | ½ Serving          | 1/4 Serving          | 1/4 Serving |
| Roast Beef                                     | 140                  | 1/2 Serving        | 1/4 Serving          | 1/4 Serving |
| Veggie Delite                                  | 60                   | 1/4 Serving        | 1/4 Serving          | ¼ Serving   |
| Grilled Chicken Breast Strips                  | 140                  | ½ Serving          | 1/4 Serving          | ¼ Serving   |
| Turkey Breast                                  | 120                  | ½ Serving          | ¼ Serving            | ½ Serving   |
| MCDONALD'S                                     |                      |                    |                      |             |
| Hamburger                                      | 260                  | 1 Serving          | ¾ Serving            | ½ Serving   |
| Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad                   | 220                  | ½ Serving          | 1/4 Serving          | ½ Serving   |
| (no dressing)                                  |                      |                    |                      |             |
| Fruit 'n Yogurt Parfait                        | 160                  | ½ Serving          | 1½ Servings          | ½ Serving   |

| C/                                       | LORIES | PROTEIN         | CARB.        | FAT           |
|------------------------------------------|--------|-----------------|--------------|---------------|
|                                          |        | 11012111        |              |               |
| JACK IN THE BOX Chicken Fajita Pita      | 300    | 1 Serving       | % Serving    | 1 Serving     |
|                                          |        |                 |              |               |
| BURGER KING<br>Veggie Burger             | 420    | 1 Serving       | 1 Serving    | 1 Serving     |
| Tendercrisp Caesar Salad                 | 400    | 1 Serving       | 1 Serving    | 1 Serving     |
| (no dressing or croutons)                | 400    | 1 Set villg     | 1 Serving    | 1 Sel Villy   |
|                                          |        |                 |              |               |
| CARL'S JR. Jr. Hamburger                 | 280    | ½ Serving       | ¾ Serving    | ½ Serving     |
| Charbroiled BBQ Chicken Sandwich         | 370    | 1½ Servings     | 1 Serving    | ½ Serving     |
| Charbroiled Chicken Salad-To-Go          | 330    | 1 Serving       | ½ Serving    | ½ Serving     |
| Garden Salad-To-Go                       | 120    | 1 Serving       | ½ Serving    | ¼ Serving     |
|                                          |        |                 |              |               |
| PIZZA HUT                                |        |                 |              |               |
| Thin 'N Crispy Pizza<br>= 1 slice Cheese | 200    | ½ Serving       | ½ Serving    | ½ Serving     |
| Thin 'N Crispy Pizza                     |        |                 |              |               |
| = 1 slice Veggie Lover's                 | 180    | ½ Serving       | ½ Serving    | ½ Serving     |
| Pasta, 1 serving Spaghetti w/ Marinara   | 490    | ½ Serving       | 2 Servings   | ½ Serving     |
| D                                        |        |                 |              |               |
| TACO BELL Soft Taco                      |        |                 |              |               |
| Beef                                     | 210    | ½ Serving       | ½ Serving    | ½ Serving     |
| Chicken                                  | 190    | ½ Serving       | ½ Serving    | ½ Serving     |
| Tostada                                  | 250    | 3½ Servings     | ½ Serving    | % Serving     |
| rostada                                  | 200    | 072 3CI VIII 93 | 72 3CI VIIIg | 74 Ser villig |
| WENDY'S                                  |        |                 |              |               |
| Jr. Hamburger                            | 280    | 1½ Servings     | ½ Serving    | ½ Serving     |
| Ultimate Chicken Grill                   | 370    | 1 Serving       | % Serving    | ½ Serving     |
| Mandarin Chicken Salad                   | 550    | 1 Serving       | 1 Serving    | 1 Serving     |
| Spinach Chicken Salad                    | 450    | ½ Serving       | ½ Serving    | 1 Serving     |
| Baked Potato (plain)                     | 160    | ½ Serving       | 1½ Servings  | 0 Serving     |
|                                          |        |                 |              |               |
| CHICK-FIL-A                              |        |                 |              |               |
| Chargrilled Chicken                      | 180    | 1 Serving       | ½ Serving    | ½ Serving     |
| Garden Salad                             |        |                 |              |               |
| Chargrilled Chicken                      | 270    | 1 Serving       | ½ Serving    | ½ Serving     |
| Sandwich (no butter)                     | 210    | i Serving       | 72 Ser Villy | 74 Jet villy  |