# **Low Protein Meal Ideas**





# **Breakfast**

# **Free Options**

- Low Protein French toast topped with berries
- Homemade low protein pancakes with fruit salad and maple syrup
- Grilled Mushrooms\* and tomato on low protein toast
- Homemade low protein bagel with melted low protein cheese
- Smoothie made with low protein milk
- Low protein cereals with low protein milk
- Low protein omelette with mixed vegetables
- Low protein waffle with maple syrup and fruit.

# **Exchange Options**

Koko Yoghurt (125g=1ex) with a fruit salad

Porridge/Readybrek (1ex)\*\* made with low protein milk

#### Suggested (free) toppings:

- Carrots, cinnamon, honey and raisins
- Apple and maple syrup
- · Kiwi, mango and passion fruit
- Banana and cinnamon
- Blackberry and Apple
- Strawberry and banana\*
- Honey and Apricots
- 1 Hash brown/Waffle (1ex)\*\* with tomato
- Low protein toast with a third of an avocado (1ex), tomato and low protein cheese
- Cereal(1ex)\*\* with low protein milk
- Low protein pancakes/waffles with Koko yoghurt (125g=1ex), banana\* and blueberries.
- Low protein toast with 1 level tablespoon of beans/1 blue scoop of spaghetti hoops (1ex)\*
- Sweet Potato Toasties (160g = 1ex). Chopped slices of sweet potato with banana, honey and cinnamon or other toppings of your choice. (Slice potatoes lengthwise and bake in an oven until toasted)

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# Lunch

#### **Free Options**

- Homemade vegetable soups with low protein bread
- Low protein pasta with mixed vegetables in a tomato and herb sauce
- Fried low protein rice with low protein egg replacer, soy sauce and vegetables
- Low protein pizza with tomato puree, vegetables of choice and low protein cheese
- Low protein sandwich/crackers/crispbread/roll with:

# Suggested (free) fillings:

- Raspberry jam and banana\*;
- Salad vegetables with salad cream;
- Low protein flavoured cheese spread;
- Low protein cheese and salad;
- Mayonnaise, chopped celery, apple and raisins;
- Mashed banana\* and honey;
- Low protein cheese and tomato chutney;
- · Grated beetroot and carrot mix;
- Grated carrot and raisin:
- Grated apples, dates and honey;
- Tomato relish, lettuce, tomato and caramelised onion;
- Roasted free vegetables;
- Mixed peppers, beetroot and salad cream;
- Chopped pineapple and grated carrots;
- Low protein cheese and pickles;
- Homemade coleslaw.
- Cold low protein pasta salad/couscous with:

#### Suggested (free) additions:

- Chopped roasted vegetables and low protein cream cheese mix;
- Chopped roasted vegetables and a tomato and herb sauce;
- Mayonnaise, celery, apple, cucumber and raisins;
- Shredded cabbage, grated carrot, chopped onion and mayonnaise;
- Peppers, chopped celery, raisins with coriander and chilli powder;
- Chopped pepper, apple, grated carrot and mandarins;
- Celery, onions, string beans, tomatoes and pineapple rings.

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# **Exchange Options**

- Baked potato (80g=1ex) with grilled free vegetables
- Baked potato (80g=1ex) with mayonnaise and salad
- Baked potato (80g=1ex) with baked beans (1ex)\*\*
- Low protein crackers with cream cheese (1ex)\*\* and chopped tomatoes
- Low protein bread/roll/crispbread/crackers with:

# Suggested (exchange) fillings:

- 1/3 Avocado(1ex), butternut squash and lime juice
- Cherry tomatoes and 1 exchange guacamole (1ex)\*\*;
- Mashed banana and 1 exchange chocolate spread (1ex)\*\*;
- Hummus\* and roasted vegetables
- Low protein cream cheese with sweetcorn\*\*.
- 1 exchange of cream cheese (1ex),\*\* and salad.

#### **Lunchbox fillers**

- Koko Yoghurt 125g (1ex)
- Raisins (free)
- Chopped fruit (free)
- Low protein crackers with low protein cheese (free)
- Cherry tomatoes (free)
- Chopped cucumber slices (free)
- Taranis low protein French toasties (biscotti) (free)
- Cereal bar (1ex)\*\*
- Rice/Corn Cake (1/2-1ex)\*\*
- Salsa/low fat salad cream/Low protein hummus with a selection of carrot, celery and pepper sticks (free).

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# **Dinner**

#### Starter

- Garlic fingers (toast low protein rolls with garlic butter and cut into fingers)
- Bruschetta toasted low protein rolls with low fat garlic butter, tomatoes, and toast.
- Free vegetable soup
- Melon and orange
- Chopped raw vegetables with low protein hummus
- · Roasted beetroot, red onion and watercress salad
- Chopped celery, apple, raisin mixed with low fat mayonnaise with mixed leaves
- Tomato and cucumber salad with onions
- Mushrooms\*, red pepper, chilli and fresh rocket with grated low protein cheese.

#### **Main Courses**

#### **Free Options**

- Stir-fry with vegetables, soy sauce, garlic and ginger with low protein rice
- Risotto
- Vegetable Bolognese with low protein spaghetti
- Stuffed peppers with low protein rice
- Low protein spaghetti with chillies, garlic and lemon
- Macaroni Cheese (made with low protein cheese and low protein macaroni)
- Vegetable lasagne with low protein lasagne sheets, topped with low protein cheese
  Make with:
  - Mushrooms\*
  - Mixed vegetables
  - Butternut squash
  - Aubergine
  - Ratatouille
  - Tomatoes
- Mushroom\* and Broccoli\* pasta bake topped with low protein cheese
- Vegetable curry and low protein rice (ask your dietitian for different curry recipes)
- Low protein pizza topped with low protein cheese and suitable vegetables
- Low protein pasta with tomato sauce and mixed vegetables

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# **Exchanges**

- 'Roast Dinner' low protein sausage/burger mix (½ -1ex depending on protein disorder\*\*) with low protein stuffing with vegetables, 80g potato (1ex) and gravy.
- Veggie skewers with baked sweet potato\* (160g= 1ex) and coleslaw
- 2 Tacos (2ex)\*\* filled with mushrooms\*, peppers and salad
- Low protein meatballs made with Promin sausage/burger mix (1/2-1ex depending on protein disorder\*\*) served with low protein spaghetti
- Promin sausage mix (½ ex for some protein disorders\*\*) made into sausages served with veg,
  fried onions, gravy and mashed potato.
- Promin burger mix (1/2-1ex depending on protein disorder\*\*) made into burger shapes served with salad, 8-16 chips (1-2ex) or sweet potato wedges\*

### Add exchanges to any of the above 'free dinners' by:

- Adding in lentils/beans
- Adding/serving with avocado/guacamole
- Adding in cream cheese
- Adding in peas/sweetcorn
- Serving with potatoes/chips/waffles/hash brown

#### **Desserts**

- Koko yoghurt 125g (1ex) and chopped fruit
- Homemade smoothie ice-lolly (free)
- Fresh fruit salad (free)
- Low protein apple pie with cinnamon (free)
- Low protein cupcakes with suitable icing (free)
- Taranis cakes with low protein custard (free)
- Low protein jelly and fruit (free)
- Low protein desserts with added fruit (free)
- Low protein cake with melted low protein chocolate (free)
- Sorbet with fruit (check label)
- Meringue nest with fresh or drained fruit (check label)
- Pan-fried cinnamon banana\*, nutmeg and sugar.
- Low protein waffles with fresh fruit and maple syrup (free)

#### For recipes and tips on any of the above recipes, please ask your dietitian.

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