Calorie ranges are provided for each container color so you can make educated decisions about buying your food. For example, knowing that the yellow container averages 45-140 calories, you can assume that one 120 calorie serving of whole grain bread is a yellow.

## **Shopping Tips**

Salsa: If it contains added sugar, it's a purple. If it doesn't contain added sugar, it's a green.

Breads & Pastas: You're looking for the first ingredient to be whole grain or whole wheat. Those are the only approved items, except for gluten free items (if you're on a gluten free diet).

If looking for veggie-based pastas, choosing fresh or frozen vegetable pasta with no added ingredients is the only way I've seen to avoid a yellow container. Edamame pasta, cauliflower pasta (because of the added flours), etc are counted as a yellow. You might as well go whole grains and get the benefits from them!

The list of ingredients on a package is more important than the actual nutrition information. Added oils, salt, sugar, and artificial sweeteners are not desirable.

Products that boast Fat Free, Protein Added, Veggies Added, etc in most cases also contain extra unnecessary ingredients. These items aren't a shortcut–stick with the basics. Plain frozen veggies, whole grain pasta, etc.

### **FIX Tips**

For videos explaining treat swaps, teaspoons, how to count containers for recipes, and how to make meal plans, head to my YouTube channel: youtube.com/c/beccaludlum

Sweetener teaspoons are different than oil teaspoons, and are technically a bit of a loophole on the Fix. Sweetener teaspoons are under the Coffee Bar section. If you don't use the 4 teaspoons of sugar or Stevia in your coffee, it is assumed that you can use these on other things throughout the day.

Your daily sodium goal (for someone with no medical issues) is no more than 1500 mg.

Your goal is to get all of your containers in every day—no more and no less. This is a macro-based program and you need all of your macros for it to work. It might take a couple weeks to build up to your daily goal, but know that if your goal is to follow this plan loosely, you might not see any weight loss.

If you have to skip containers, don't skip the same containers every day.

### Life Tips

Do a variety of workouts that include both cardio and weights for the best weight loss and health benefits.

Don't weight yourself daily. Your weight changes based on a lot of different bodily functions, and weighing no more than once a week is recommended.

Take measurements and pictures! More often than not that is where we see changes before the scale moves.

Don't throw out all of the food in your pantry when you begin making lifestyle changes. Use what you have now, learn about the ingredients and buy better next time. Slow changes will always last longer as a lifestyle than quick and drastic lifestyle changes.

The FIX is a well thought out, well researched eating plan, but it is not perfect. As someone who does not sell Beachbody, but does have nutrition training, there are quite a few things that were overlooked in the program. Vegetarian and vegan foods and plans, pickles on the food list, and treat swaps are areas that I love to talk about if you'd like to brainstorm.



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# Veggies

1 cup 4-60 calories

Kale, cooked or raw Watercress, cooked or raw Collard Greens, cooked or raw Spinach, cooked or raw Bok Choy, cooked or raw Brussels sprouts, 5 med or chopped Broccoli, chopped Asparagus, 10 large Beets, 2 medium Power Greens Boost, 2 scoops only (1x day) Tomatoes, chopped, cherry, or 2 medium Tomatillos, chopped or 3 medium Pumpkin (reg or West Indian), cubed Squash (summer), sliced Chayote Squash, chopped String Beans/Green **Beans** Sweet Peppers, sliced

Poblano Chiles, chopped

Banana Peppers, 3

Carrots, sliced or 10

Cauliflower, chopped

medium

baby

Cauliflower, chopped Artichokes, 1/2 large Eggplant, 1/2 medium Okra Cactus/nopales, sliced Jicama, sliced **Snow Peas** Cabbage, chopped Kimchi Sauerkraut Cucumbers Celery Lettuce Mushrooms Radishes Turnips, chopped or 1 medium Rutabaga, cubed Onions, chopped **Sprouts Bamboo Shoots** Salsa, fresh, or pico de gallo Vegetable Broth, 2 Cups Pickles, chopped

# **Proteins**

3/4 cup 29-255 cal, 4-36 g protein

Vegan Shakeology, 1 scoop Organic Tempeh Organic Tofu (firm) Protein Powder (hemp, rice, or pea), 1 1/2 scoops Veggie Burger, 1 medium patty -more than 16 g protein and less than 15 g carbs per patty. Beans (kidney, black, garbanzo/chickpeas, white, lima, fava, pink, pigeon, etc)

Lentils, cooked & drained Organic edamame, shelled

Peas Refried beans, nonfat Quinoa, cooked

Seitan

Unsweetened organic soy milk (8 oz = 1/2 red)Soy vogurt, unsweetened

-more than 10g protein and less than 13g carbs per serving = 1/2 red

1/2 cup 45-140 cal, 6-22 carbs

Brown or Wild rice, cooked Corn on the cob, 1 ear Amaranth, cooked Millet, cooked Buckwheat, cooked Barley (whole grain), cooked Bulgur, cooked Farro (whole grain), cooked Oatmeal (steel cut or rolled), cooked Hominy, cooked Popcorn (air popped, 3 cups)

1/2 cup 45-140 cal, 6-22 carbs

Sweet potato, chopped or Waffles, whole-grain, mashed, or 1/2 small Yams (regular, white, tropical) chopped or mashed, or 1/2 small Plantains, sliced or 1/2 medium Water chestnuts Cassava (yuca), 2 oz. Potato (russet), chopped or mashed, or 1/2 small Potato (red bliss or Yukon gold), mashed or 1 whole Parsnips, cooked Pasta (whole grain), cooked

Couscous (whole wheat),

Muesli/granola, 1/4 cup

Crackers (whole grain), 8

Cereal (whole grain, low

Unsweetened rice milk (8

cooked

small

sugar)

oz)

1 small (4-in) Pancakes, whole-grain, 1 small (4-in) English muffin, whole-grain, 1/2 Bagel, whole-grain, 1/2 small Tortilla, whole-grain, 1 small (6-inch) Tortilla, corn, 2 small (6inch) Rice cakes, 2 whole

## Coffee

Unlimited cinnamon, lemon, pumpkin spice, and nutmeg

#### In moderation (max 2x/day):

1-2 Tbsp unsweetened nondairy milk (almond, coconut, organic soy, etc.) Bread (whole grain), 1 slice Stevia (1-2 drops or 1/2 single serve packet) 1-2 tsp. sugar, or

other caloric sweeteners

Unsweetened coconut water (8 oz)

Unsweetened oat beverage (8 oz)

Pita bread (whole grain), 1 small (4 inch)



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1 cup 17-135 calories

Figs, 2 small

chopped

Pumpkin Puree

Tomato sauce,

cup

tsp.

Salsa, store bought

plain or marinara

Applesauce, unsweetened

Jackfruit (raw in water) 1/2

Teaspoons

1 teaspoon

Everyone is allowed 4 tsp

per day of: raw sugar.

molasses, maple syrup,

addition to their allotted

Extra-virgin olive oil

Flaxseed oil

Pumpkin seed oil

Nut butters (peanut,

almond, cashew)

Seed butters (pumpkin,

Walnut oil

Sesame oil

Cacao nibs

sunflower.

sesame/tahini)

8 oz Unsweetened:

-Coconut Milk Beverage

-Macadamia Nut Milk

Vegan Butter Spread

-Almond Milk

-Cashew Milk

Vegan Pesto

Extra-virgin coconut oil

Honeydew Melon,

Raspberries Blueberries Blackberries Strawberries Pomegranate, 1 small Pomegranate seeds, 1/2 cup Guava, 2 medium Starfruit, 2 medium Passion Fruit, 3 fruits Watermelon, chopped

Cantaloupe, chopped Orange, 1 medium Bitter Orange, 1 medium Tangerine, 2 small Apple, 1 small Apricots, 4 small Grapefruit, 1/2 large Cherries Grapes Kiwi, 2 medium Mango, sliced Peach, sliced or 1 large Plum, 2 small Pluot, 2 small Nectarine, sliced or 1 large Pear, sliced or 1 large Pineapple, chopped Banana, 1/2 large Green banana, 1/2 large Dwarf Red Banana. 1 1/2 small

Kumquats, 4-5 medium

Breadfruit, 1/8 small

Papaya, chopped

# **Healthy Fats**

1/3 cup 65-153 cal. 4-12 g fat

Avocado, mashed or 1/4 medium 12 almonds, whole, unsalted 8 cashews, whole, unsalted 14 peanuts, whole, dry roasted 20 pistachios, whole, unsalted 10 pecan halves, unsalted Coconut, unsweetened, 8 walnut halves, unsalted

2-3 Brazil nuts, whole, unsalted

unsalted agave syrup, and stevia in

Hummus Coconut milk,

serving

unsweetened Coconut or Almond milk yogurt, unsweetened,

2/3 cup -less than 100 calories. less than 9g fat per

#### Seeds & **Dressings**

2 tablespoons 47-116 cal, 4-10 g fat

Pumpkin seeds, raw Sunflower seeds, raw Sesame seeds, raw Flaxseed, ground Chia seeds Hemp seeds Pine nuts Olives, 10 medium Fresh coconut meat, shredded, 1/3 cup shredded Unsweetened hemp milk (8oz = 1/2 O, 1 tsp)6 macadamia nuts, whole, 21 Day Fix dressings

### Water

Flat water Sparking water with no calories (max 1 per day) Fruit slices: Lemon, Lime, Orange, Strawberry, Kiwi, Mango, Pineapple, Cucumber, Frozen grapes, Watermelon, Honeydew melon, Blueberries, or Raspberries A splash of fruit juice Mint leaves Basil, Grated Ginger, Rosemary, Tarragon, or Cinnamon

# Free Foods

no limit on these foods Lemon and lime juice Vinegar Mustard Herbs (fresh and dry) Spices except for salt Garlic Ginger Green onion Chile varieties: jalapeños, serrano, ancho, cascabel, pasilla, guajillo, habanero, etc. Hot sauce (Tabasco/Mexican) Flavor extracts (pure vanilla, peppermint, almond, etc.)

21 Day Fix seasoning

(unsweetened)

mixes

Cocoa powder

## Treat Swaps

note that some treats count as multiple container colors

#### **Purple container**

Dried Apricots, unsweet, 4 Dried Figs, unsweet, 2 Dried goji berries, 1/4 cup Dried cherries, unsweet. 1 1/2 tbsp Prunes. 2 Medjool dates, 1 Raisins, 2 mini boxes or 45 Dried mango, unsweet, 2 Dried apple ring, unsweet 7 100% real fruit juice, 4oz.

#### **Yellow Container**

Dried cranberries, 30 Dark chocolate, plain (1.5" sq., 1 fun size bar, or approx 25 chips) Potato chips, plain kettle, 6 chips Tortilla chips, plain corn, 6 chips Mini pretzels, 14 pieces Wine, 5 oz. Beer, light, 12 oz. Hard alcohol, 1.5 oz. Kombucha, 12 oz Beer, regular (12 oz.), 1 + 1/2 Y

#### Yellow Container + tsps

Peanut butter pretzels, 12 -1 yellow + 2 tsp

#### **Mixed Containers**

Chocolate covered raisins. 20, 1/2P 1/2Y Chocolate covered almond. Unsweetened cashew 6, 1/2B 1/2Y

## **Flours**

80-102 calories

2 T almond flour = 1B 1/4 cup brown rice flour = 1Y 14 cup chickpea flour = 1Y 3 T coconut flour = 10 1/4 cup oat flour = 1Y1/4 cup wheat flour = 1Y

Arrowroot and tapioca powders are similar to cornstarch and not usually counted

Unsweet almond milk: 1 tsp Unsweet organic soy milk: 1/2R Unsweet coconut milk: 1 tsp Unsweet rice milk: 1Y-B Unsweet oat milk. 1Y-B

milk: 1 tsp

## Milk

1 cup (8 oz) 25-122 calories