

Eating and drinking rules before your surgery, test, or treatment.

PLEASE READ BEFORE THE DAY OF SURGERY.

Type of Food	Examples	Last time you can eat or drink
Clear Liquids	Liquids you can see through such as water, apple juice,	<u>2 hours</u> before your scheduled
(coffee (no creamer), Pedialyte,	surgery/procedure time
	other clear juices (no pulp), plain jello	
	Last drink may not be more than 1 regular cup (8oz)	
Breast Milk		<u>4 hours</u> before your scheduled
9		surgery/procedure time
Infant		<u>6 hours</u> (for infants under 1 year of age)
Formula		before your scheduled
a second		surgery/procedure time
Light Meal	A light meal typically consists of toast and clear liquids.	<u>6 hours</u> before your scheduled
40	Do not eat fried or fatty foods or meat.	surgery/procedure time
All other foods &	All solids, all milk, all meat containing products,	<u>8 hours</u> before your scheduled
liquids	all fried foods, all cheeses, ice cream,	surgery/procedure time
	alcohol, and illicit drugs	

Your doctor may have different guidelines. If so, follow your doctor's instructions.

These instructions are important for your safety. If you do not follow instructions about **not eating or drinking** before your surgery, your surgery may be delayed or even cancelled.

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