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# Children's Hospital Colorado

# Egg Allergy

Your child should not eat eggs or foods that have eggs.

Read all food labels and do not feed your child anything that has eggs.

# The following words, when found on food labels, show that a product has egg

- Egg (all birds duck, turkey, goose, quail)
- Whole egg
- Dried egg
- Egg powder
- Egg white
- Egg yolk
- Egg solids
- Egg substitute

- Egg protein
- Egg albumin
- Ovalbumin protein found in egg
- Globulin protein
- Ovoglobulin protein found in egg
- Livetin protein found in egg
- Ovomucin protein found in egg
- Vitellin/Ovovitellin

### Many foods have or might have egg, including

- Baked goods (cookies, cakes, pies, muffins)
- French toast, pancakes, and waffles
- Condiments, salad dressings and sauces (Mayonnaise, Caesar, Ranch, Hollandaise, Alfredo)
- Meringue or meringue powder
- Custards, creams, frostings, mousse, pudding
- Quiche and soufflé
- Food like ice cream and some vegetarian foods
- Ethnic foods like Asian foods
- Candies like Snickers, Milky Way, and nougat
- Marshmallow cream (but marshmallows are often egg free)
- Some noodles and breaded foods (chicken nuggets, fried foods)
- Egg pasta (often stored in fridge or freezer)

## Egg free cooking and baking tips

- Eggs are often added to recipes to act as a binder (holding ingredients together) or as a leavening agent (helping it rise).
- Recipes calling for eggs can be changed using egg replacers or other eggless choices.
- Keep in mind that these products may alter the taste and texture of your final product.

### Commercial egg replacers

- Simple Truth Organic plant based egg replacer •
- No-egg egg replacer TM (Orgran)
- Ener-G TM egg replacer •
- Egg replacer (Bob's Red Mill) •
- Namaste gluten free egg replacer •
- Vegan Egg (has soy) •
- JUST Egg •

These can be used in most baking recipes needing egg, such as cakes, cookies, and pancakes. Most are made of tapioca or potato starch with an added leavening agent, such as baking powder. Others are made from soy or mung bean and can even be used to replace scrambled eggs. Egg replacers work best in recipes that call for 1 or 2 eggs.

### Other egg replacement choices

Use one of the binding agent choices below, plus a leavening agent, as an easy home-made alterative to 'egg replacers'.

Binding agents (equal to 1 egg):

- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup fruit puree (apple, pear, apricot, or prunes)
- 1/2 large banana, mashed
- 1 tablespoon chickpea flour + 2 tablespoons water
- 1 tablespoon flax seed meal or ground chia seeds + 3 tablespoons water, let sit for 5 minutes to form gel before adding to recipe
- 1 tablespoon coconut cream, egg-free custard, yogurt, or silken tofu with a little water or milk

Raising agents (equal to 1 egg):

- 1 teaspoon baking soda +  $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon cream of tartar •
- 1 teaspoon baking powder

If you don't want to change recipes to be egg-free, look for vegan recipes which will always be eggfree.

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