A HANDY GUIDE TO **Portion Sizes In Chronic Kidney** Disease (CKD)



While dairy can be rich in potassium,

options in moderation. Limit dairy to 1

calcium, and phosphorus, a kidney healthy diet can still include dairy

Milk, Yogurt, Ice Cream: 1 cup⁵

Aim for at least half of grains consumed to be whole grains.⁵

Whole grains (i.e. quinoa,

brown rice, buckwheat groats,

fonio, amaranth, bulgar, millet, oats, whole grain breads):

Cooked rice, pasta, potato:

Grain Portion Sizes:

¹/₂ cup, cooked⁶

1/2 cup4

Dairy

serving daily.8

Dairy Portion Sizes:

Cheese: 2 ounces¹

Grains

Vegetables

Choose a variety of low-potassium vegetables including leafy greens and colorful options like carrots, red cabbage, eggplant, peppers, and squash.⁷ Vegetable Portion Sizes:

- Cooked or raw vegetables:
- 1/2 cup4
- Leafy greens: 1 cup⁴

Fruit

Choose a variety of low-potassium fruits, such as grapes, apples, plums, pears, cherries, and berries.⁷

Fruit Portion Sizes:

• Fresh fruit: ¹/₂ cup⁴

Fats

Choose healthy fat sources, such as extra virgin olive oil, avocado oil, ground flax seed, pumpkin seeds/pepitas, sunflower seeds, and nuts.6

Fats Portion Sizes:

Healthy fats: 1 Tablespoon⁶

Protein

Consider replacing some animal protein with plant protein.³ Animal Protein Portion Sizes:

• Fish, Chicken, Beef and Pork: Limit to 3 ounces per meal and less than 6 ounces per day³

• Eggs: Limit to 2 whole eggs or 3 egg whites per meal⁴



- 1 cup: 1 Handful (vegetables)²
 - 1 cup: 1 Fist (grains, dairy)⁹
- 1/2 cup: Tennis Ball¹
- 1/4 cup: Golf Ball¹
- 2 Tablespoons: Ping Pong Ball¹
- 1 Tablespoon: Tip of Thumb⁹



3 Ounces: Deck of Cards¹ 2 Ounces: 4 Dice¹



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