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ABOUT YOUR HOME-DELIVERED MEAL

Every meal provides an average of 700-800 calories and a minimum of 1/3 of the Dietary Reference Intake of significant vitamins and minerals. Your meal has no salt added and most have less than 1,200 mg of sodium per meal. The exceptions are meals marked as "high sodium meal". Most meals come with bread or a roll, dessert, 8 oz. of milk.

Food safety is important. Refrigerate your chilled meal immediately upon delivery. To reheat meals, slit or peel back film in each compartment. Microwave 2 - 3 minutes maximum on high or place the meal on a cookie sheet in a 350 degree conventional oven for 10-15 mins. to an internal temperature of 165 degrees. Do not use a toaster oven.

Some meals will include a nutritious soup. Please remember to **use caution** as the soup will be **very hot** once it is reheated. Remove cover on the soup container and microwave container for 1 minute. Heating time may vary depending on the strength of your microwave. You may also pour the soup into a saucepan and heat it on the stove.

Keeping Your Groceries Safe

Many of us are back to carrying our groceries in our reusable bags, which is great for the environment.

Here are some safety tips:

- 1) Be sure to use one bag for your meat or poultry and one for carrying your fresh items such as vegetables, fruits, and breads.
- 2) Wash your reusable bags often with hot, soapy water by hand or in the washing machine.
- 3) After emptying your bags, wash the kitchen counter where the totes were.
- 4) Remove empty bags from the trunk of your car.



Following these simple tips will help prevent food poisoning.

Adapted from The Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics.

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