

# **ORTHODONTIC FOOD LIST**

For the first 24 hours please enjoy soft foods such as soups, purees, and well-cooked pasta or rice - as the brackets are more likey to break during this time.

Please enjoy a soft food diet until you become accustomed to eating with your braces.

Continue to enjoy your fruits & vegetables, but remember to cut them into small thin slices before eating (and avoid biting into them with your front teeth). You may also lightly steam your vegetables to soften them up!

**Avoid or reduce foods and beverages high in refined sugars**. Especially avoid all sodas and other artificially sweetened beverages.

Please avoid all foods that are too hard, sticky, chewy or too sweet.

Thank you for avoiding the following foods:

### **Chewy Candy**

Gum (all gum including sugar free)

Hard Candy

Jolly Ranchers

Candy with nuts

**Butterfingers** 

#### **Hard Bread Products**

French bread (any crusty bread)

Hard rolls

**Pretzels** 

Bagels

Pizza Crust

**Biscotti** 

#### Hard Meats & Meat on the Bone

Ribs

Beef Jerky

Slim Jims

#### **Hard Snacks**

Nuts

Corn Nuts/Sunflower Seeds

Popcorn kernels

Chips

## **Avoid All Other Hard Chewing**

Ice

Pens

**Pencils** 

Fingernails

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