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Clear Liquid Diet

A clear liquid is a liquid substance clear enough to be seen through.

The clear liquid diet is often used before and after operations and procedures when no residue is desired. The diet consists of clear liquids and clear gelatin desserts. All of the liquids must be fat-free and must be able to run through a kitchen strainer. Please flood yourself with a variety of clear liquids (water as your last resort) so you won't be dehydrated for your procedure.

FOODS ALLOWED (NO RED/PURPLE COLORS):

Soups: Fat-free clear chicken/beef broth

Fat-free clear bouillon

Desserts: Clear Jell-O without fruits (No red/purple Jell-O)

Popsicles

Beverages: Apple juice Clear tea

Orange juice (no pulp) Clear coffee (no cream/dairy products)

White cranberry juice Carbonated beverages White grape juice Gatorade/Powerade

Miscellaneous: Sugar

Salt