



SALT
REDUCTION
GUIDE

Lo Salt

DECREASE SALT. INCREASE LIFE.

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Why reduce salt?



Too much salt raises blood pressure and increases the risk of heart attack and stroke.

Most adults in India consume about 11g of salt per day. **The safe limit is less than 5g per day** (\approx one level teaspoon).



5g (One level teaspoon)

Reducing salt:

- Prevents high blood pressure.



- Lowers blood pressure if it is already high.



- Helps even people with normal blood pressure.

How to reduce salt?

IN THE KITCHEN

- Skip adding salt while preparing rice, chapatti, poori and parantha
- Prepare smaller quantities of salty sides like papad, chutney and pastes
- Reduce salt in dals and curries gradually so taste adjusts over time
- Try to make each pack of salt last longer



AT THE TABLE

- Taste before adding extra salt
- Use less pickle, sauces and papad
- Avoid processed and packaged foods
- Prefer freshly prepared food, fruits and vegetables



Where to reduce salt?

Shop Smart

- Choose Low Sodium Iodized Salt
- Limit ready-to-cook and instant foods
- Buy fewer namkeens, chips, murukku and papads



Dine-out Smart

- Request food prepared with less salt
- Avoid the salt shaker
- Minimise salted butter, spice mixes, sauces, ketchup and dressings
- Limit items such as samosa, pakoda and chaat



Save your kidneys. Only YOU can!

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