

What is the green light, eat right program?

green light, eat right[™] is a program aimed at improving the range and access to nutritious food in the City of Melbourne. The program enables consumers to make more informed food choices.

A criteria is used for classifying and labelling food according to a traffic light system.

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Healthiest Choice

These foods are the best choice for everyday because they:

- Are often high in nutrients and fibre
- Are low in saturated fat and/or sugar and/or salt
- Help to avoid an excess kilojoule intake

The majority of your daily food intake should comprise these foods.

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OK Choice

These foods should be selected carefully because they:

- Are moderate in added fat and/or sugar and/or salt
- Contribute to excess kilojoules if consumed in large serving sizes
- Provide limited nutritional value

The foods in this category are mainly processed foods and therefore should be consumed in moderation.

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Less Healthy Choice

These foods are the least suitable as, generally, they:

- Are very low in nutritional value
- Are high in saturated fat and/or sugar and/or salt
- Provide excess kilojoules

Essentially, the consumption of these foods should be restricted.

The **green light, eat right**™ program also refers to the *Department of Health, Healthy Choices: Food and Drink guidelines for Victorian Hospitals, Go For Your Life - Healthy Canteen Kit* and *Healthy Kids Products: School Canteen Buyers Guide*

For more information on the green light, eat right[™] program visit: www.melbourne.vic.gov.au/publichealth