

No Excuse Food List

<u>Sticky foods</u> can damage appliances by bending wires and pulling off the brackets and bands.

AVOID

Lollipops Toffee Gummy Bears Fruit Rollups Now and Laters Red Hot Dollars Sour Patch Kids Peanut Chews Caramel Gum \$100 Grand Bar

Licorice Cinnamon Bears Oh, Henry Bar Cotton Candy Marshmallows Starburst Charleston Chew Tootsie Rolls Juju Beads Mike and Ike's Salt Water Taffy



Gushers Skittles Milky Way Caramel Popcorn Mentos Raisins Good and Plenty Jelly Beans Rice Krispie Treats Swedish Fish Gob Stoppers



<u>Hard foods</u> Hard foods can cause damage to your braces. Hard foods can bend wires, loosen the glue under bands, or break the little brackets and tubes that are attached to your teeth.

<u>AVOID</u>

Hard Pretzels Starburst Doritos Peanuts/Nuts Popcorn Jolly Ranchers Cheetos Caramel/Candy Apples Bagels Pizza Crust Tortilla Chips Granola Bars Pens/Pencils Certs Fingernails Crispy Tacos Lollipops Lifesavers Ice Cubes Fortune Cookies Hard Candy Milky Way Nachos Carrots

Foods high in sugar content! If you do eat foods with high sugar content, brush your teeth immediately to avoid getting cavities. If it is not possible for you to brush, rinse your mouth with water to wash away the sugar. Avoid cakes, pies,





chocolates, cookies, soda as much as possible.

<u>Try to Avoid</u> Biting into an apple; instead cut the apple into small bite-size pieces. Meat on a bone, cut meat off the bone, Corn on the Cob, cut corn off the cob. **Remember: Every time a bracket breaks off or a band comes loose, you may add one more

month to the length of your treatment.