



Thick & Easy™ Clear Ready Reckoner

Fluid is essential to good health, an increase or decrease in a patient's fluid needs is based on a number of factors. Clinical judgment should be used to assess individual fluid requirements. The tables below provide guidance on approximate quantities of Thick & Easy™ Clear required to thicken fluids to a safe consistency for a range of recommended fluid intakes. Guidance on average adult fluid intake is also provided; however, this is not based on an individual patient assessment and must be therefore used with caution.

| Scoops per drink Amount of fluid 200ml | Number of Thick & Easy™ scoops (1.4g) required per drink** | | | |
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| | Level 1* | Level 2* | Level 3* | Level 4* |
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 6 |
| Tins per month Amount of fluid per day 1000ml | Number of Thick & Easy™ tins (126g) required per month based on average adult fluid requirements ^{1,2,3} (approximately 6-10 250ml cups) | | | |
| | Level 1* | Level 2* | Level 3* | Level 4* |
| | 2 | 3 | 5 | 9 |

NB: Approximate figures based on recommended usage of Thick & Easy Clear™ (BDA/RCSLT 2009).
*IDDSI Framework for texture modification in adults. **28 days

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