# RECIPE CONVERSIONS ADJUSTING THE RECIPE

Key Terms:

- Standardized Recipe
- Yield
- Conversion Factor

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Standardized Recipe:

A recipe or formula that can be easily duplicated by a number of individuals and still achieve the same result.

### ADJUSTING THE RECIPE

Recipes usually tell you how many servings they make. But sometimes you will want to make a different number of servings. When this happens, you must adjust the amount of each ingredient in the recipe.

# Start your notes

### ADJUSTING THE RECIPE

Yield (Original): The total amount that a recipe produces. Desired Yield: The amount you want to make. "Changing the Yield"

## **Conversion Factor:**

The number you multiply each Ingredients.

## INCREASING OR DECREASING A RECIPE YIELD

- If more, or larger, servings are needed than the recipe will yield, it is necessary to *increase* the amounts of ingredients used.
- If less, or smaller, servings are needed, one can either <u>decrease</u> the amounts of ingredients used OR prepare the recipe as indicated and have leftovers.

### **INCREASING OR DECREASING A RECIPE YIELD, CONTD.**

- When increasing or decreasing the yield and ingredients in recipes, it is usually necessary to make additional changes in:
  - Equipment size
  - Equipment shape
  - Cooking temperature
  - Cooking time

## **INCREASING OR DECREASING A RECIPE YIELD**

The steps for changing a yield are:
1. Divide the <u>desired yield</u> by the recipe's <u>original</u> <u>yield</u>. The result is called the <u>conversion factor</u>.
2. Multiply all recipe ingredients by the conversion factor.

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3. Convert the measurements into logical, manageable amounts.

Before you can do step 1 you need to determine the yield:
How many do you need?
Once you have the desired yield follow the formula.
What is the original yield?

What is the desired yield?



STEP #1



# • Divide the <u>desired yield</u> by the recipe's <u>original yield</u>.

Desired Yield = Conv. Factor

**Original Yield** 

### STEP #2

• Multiply all recipe ingredients by the conversion factor.

### STEP #3

# • Convert the measurements into logical, manageable amounts.

### EXAMPLE

- Helen wants to double a recipe for her family gathering.
- Recipe yields 12 servings.
- This is called the
- She needs to make 24 servings.
- This is called the

Desired Yield (24) ÷ Original Yield (12)
= Conv. Factor (2)
Now that we know the CF you need to multiply all of the ingredients by 2.

 Before you start remember all answers must be measurable.

1c, 1/2c, 1/3c, 1/4c, 1T, 1t, 1/2t, 1/4t

Decimals

 $.25 = \frac{1}{4}$   $.33 = \frac{1}{3}$  $.50 = \frac{1}{2}$   $.66 = \frac{2}{3}$  $.75 = \frac{3}{4}$   $.125 = \frac{1}{8}$ 

#### **RECIPE BROWNIES ORIGINAL YIELD 12; DESIRED YIELD 24** Ingredients 1 X 2 = 2 cups1 cup butter ¼ (.25) X 2 = ½ cup <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup cocoa • 2 cups sugar 2 X 2 = 4 cups• 4 eggs 4 X 2 = 8• 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cups flour

 $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. salt

2 tsp. vanilla

- 1 ½ (1.5) X 2 = 3 cups
- ½ (.5) X 2 = 1 tsp.
- 2 X 2 = 4 tsp. Change to 1
   T. & 1 tsp.

Why did we do this?

### LET'S TRY ANOTHER RECIPE

Original Yield 12
Desired yield is 36
What is the conversion factor? Answer is 3

- 1 c. margarine
- <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> c. brown sugar
- <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> c. white sugar
- 1 t. vanilla
- 2 eggs
- 2 ½ c. flour
- 1 t. baking soda
- 1t. salt
- 2c. chocolate chips

- 1 c. X 3 = 3 cups
- <sup>3</sup>⁄<sub>4</sub> c. (.75) X 3 = 2.25 (2 <sup>1</sup>⁄<sub>4</sub> c.)
- <sup>3</sup>⁄<sub>4</sub> c. (.75) X 3 = 2.25 (2 <sup>1</sup>⁄<sub>4</sub> c.)
- 1 t. X 3 = 3 tsp. (1 T.)
- 2 eggs X 3 = 6 eggs
- 2 ½ c. (2.5) X 3 = 7.5 (7 ½ C.)
- 1 t. X 3 = 3 tsp. (1 T.)
- 1 t. X 3 = 3 tsp. (1 T.)
- 2 c. X 3 = 6 c.

DECREASING A RECIPE ORIGINAL YIELD 48; DESIRED YIELD 24 (DY)  $24 \div (OY) 48 = (CF) .5$ 

5 cups flour 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cups sugar 3 T. butter <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cup milk 2 tsp. baking soda 1/4 cup coca

5 C. X .5 = 2.5 (2  $\frac{1}{2}$  C.) 2 ½ (2.5)C. X .5 = 1.25 (1 ¼ C.) 3 T. X .5 = 1.5 ( 1 ½ T. )  $\frac{1}{2}$  (.5) C. X .5 = .25 ( $\frac{1}{4}$  C.) 2 tsp. X .5 = 1 tsp.1/4 (.25) C. X .5 = .125 (1/8)

4 dozens = 48 cookies
60 cookies = 5 dozen

 When working w/ dozens always convert new and old amounts to individuals cookies or dozens before you start to convert the recipe.

### IN REVIEW

- 1. Calculate Original Yield
- 2. Calculate Desired Yield
- 3. "DO"—Desired / Original
- 4. Multiply ingredients by conversion factor

