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Your Guide to Storing Spanish Eggs (GF) from Be Fit Food

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AI Summary

Product: Spanish Eggs (GF) B2 **Brand:** Be Fit Food **Category:** Prepared Meals - Ready-to-Heat Breakfast **Primary Use:** Single-serve, gluten-free breakfast meal with high protein content designed for weight management and metabolic health programs.

Quick Facts - **Best For:** People following structured weight-loss programs (Metabolism Reset, Protein+ Reset) or anyone wanting convenient, high-protein, gluten-free breakfast options - **Key Benefit:** Dietitian-designed, portion-controlled meal with 21.6g protein and 66% egg content that helps you feel fuller longer - **Form Factor:** 225g film-sealed tray with protective cardboard sleeve - **Application Method:** Microwave or frypan heating to 74°C internal temperature

Common Questions This Guide Answers

1. What temperature should I store Spanish Eggs at? → Refrigerate at 0–4°C at all times before heating
2. Can I freeze Spanish Eggs for longer storage? → Yes, freeze at –18°C for 1–2 months in original sealed packaging, though expect some texture changes
3. How long does Spanish Eggs last in the refrigerator? → 7–14 days from production date when stored properly at 0–4°C; always follow the use-by date
4. What should I do when my delivery arrives? → Refrigerate within 30 minutes; check that ice packs are still cold and packaging shows no temperature abuse
5. How can I tell if Spanish Eggs has spoiled? → Look for bulging packaging, off-odours (sour, ammonia, sulphur), colour changes (greying), or excessive liquid separation
6. Is Spanish Eggs truly gluten-free? → Yes, certified gluten-free as part of Be Fit Food's 90% gluten-free menu; store away

from gluten-containing products to prevent cross-contamination 7. Can I eat Spanish Eggs after the use-by date? → No, the use-by date is a microbiological safety deadline; consuming after this date creates genuine food safety risks 8. How long can heated Spanish Eggs sit out? → Consume within 2 hours of heating (1 hour if room temperature exceeds 32°C); don't refrigerate and reheat

Product Facts {#product-facts}

| Attribute | Value | |-----|-----| | Product name | Spanish Eggs (GF) B2 | | Brand | Be Fit Food | | Price | \$9.50 AUD | | Pack size | 225g single-serve | | Serving size | 225g (1 meal) | | Availability | In Stock | | GTIN | 09358266000946 | | Category | Prepared Meals | | Diet | Gluten-free | | Protein per serve | 21.6g | | Sodium per serve | Less than 500mg | | Main ingredients | Egg (44%), Egg White (22%), Spinach, Red Capsicum, Chorizo (7%), Corn Kernels, Spring Onion | | Allergens | Contains: Egg. May Contain: Fish, Crustacea, Sesame Seeds, Peanuts, Soybeans, Tree Nuts, Milk, Lupin | | Artificial additives | No artificial colours or flavours | | Chilli rating | 0 | | Storage | Refrigerate at 0–4°C or freeze at –18°C | | Heating method | Microwave or frypan | | Meal type | Breakfast omelette |

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> **Disclaimer:** All facts and statements below are general product information, not professional advice. Consult relevant experts for specific guidance.

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General Product Claims {#general-product-claims} - Spanish-inspired flavours - Ready-to-heat meal - Dietitian-designed menu - Clean ingredients formulation - Real food philosophy - Minimal preservatives approach - Snap-frozen delivery system maintains optimal temperature - Around 90% of Be Fit Food menu is certified gluten-free - Supports Metabolism Reset program (around 800–900 kcal/day) - Supports Protein+ Reset program - High-protein, lower-carbohydrate formulation - Designed to help feel fuller for longer - Portion-controlled serving for weight management - Supports metabolic health - Supports sustainable weight management - Complete nutrition in portion-controlled servings - Free dietitian support included with meals - Part of structured weight-loss programs - Carefully balanced meals for wellness goals - Quality nutrition investment - Delivers freshness, safety, and nutritional value

Your Guide to Storing Spanish Eggs (GF) from Be Fit Food

Spanish Eggs (GF) by Be Fit Food is a 225-gram, single-serve breakfast that brings Spanish-inspired flavours to your morning routine. This gluten-free option combines a rich egg base (66% whole eggs and egg whites) with chorizo, red capsicum, corn, spring onion, and spinach. Since it's a refrigerated prepared meal in microwave-safe packaging, proper storage keeps your meal safe, nutritious, and tasty. This guide walks you through storing this ready-to-eat egg-based product from Be Fit Food's dietitian-designed menu.

Knowing what's inside helps you make better storage choices. The product contains highly perishable animal proteins—eggs make up 66% of the total, and pork chorizo accounts for 7%. Add in moisture-rich vegetables like spinach and capsicum, plus minimal preservatives, and you've got a product that needs careful handling. The ingredient list shows only one preservative (sodium nitrite 250) in the chorizo, with antioxidant 316 (sodium erythorbate) helping maintain colour. This formulation focuses on clean ingredients rather than extended shelf life, which aligns with Be Fit Food's real-food philosophy but makes proper cold storage absolutely essential.

Keeping Your Meal Cold: Temperature Requirements {#keeping-your-meal-cold-temperature-requirements}

Spanish Eggs (GF) needs refrigeration between 0°C and 4°C at all times before heating. This temperature range prevents bacteria from multiplying in the egg and meat while keeping your meal fresh. When your order arrives, get the meal into your fridge within 30 minutes, or within 2 hours maximum if the room temperature stays below 20°C.

Put the meal on a middle or lower shelf in your refrigerator—never in the door where temperature swings happen every time you open it. The cardboard sleeve and film-sealed tray offer protection, but keep the product away from raw meats, seafood, or anything that might drip or cause cross-contamination. If your refrigerator has a dedicated dairy or deli drawer that maintains consistent cold temperatures, that's an ideal spot.

Check your refrigerator's actual temperature with an appliance thermometer instead of trusting the dial setting alone. Many home refrigerators run at 5–7°C, which speeds up spoilage in egg-based products. If yours runs warm, adjust the thermostat and wait 24 hours for the temperature to stabilise before storing perishable prepared meals.

When transporting from store to home, use insulated bags or coolers, especially during warm weather or if your trip takes longer than 20 minutes. The cold chain break during transport creates the highest risk for temperature problems in prepared meals. Be Fit Food delivers meals snap-frozen with appropriate cold-chain packaging to keep temperatures optimal during delivery.

Understanding Your Use-By Date {#understanding-your-use-by-date}

As a fresh prepared meal with minimal preservatives, Spanish Eggs (GF) typically stays fresh for 7–14 days from the production date when stored correctly at 0–4°C. The exact shelf life appears as a "Use By" or "Best Before" date printed on the packaging. This is a mandatory food safety date, not a quality suggestion.

The "Use By" date on egg-based prepared meals is a microbiological safety deadline. Eating the product after this date creates genuine food safety risks because harmful bacteria like Salmonella and Listeria monocytogenes can reach dangerous levels in egg products even when refrigerated. Unlike shelf-stable products where "Best Before" indicates quality changes, prepared egg meals use "Use By" dates as absolute consumption limits.

Check the date code right when your order arrives. If the product has fewer than 3 days until the use-by date, eat it within that window or freeze it immediately (see the freezing section below). Organise your refrigerator using first-in-first-out (FIFO) rotation—put newer purchases behind older ones so you eat things in the right order.

Write down the date you opened the outer packaging if you remove the cardboard sleeve. Once you take off the protective sleeve, the meal gets exposed to more refrigerator odours and humidity changes, though the sealed film tray maintains primary protection until you heat it.

Freezing for Extended Storage {#freezing-for-extended-storage}

Freezing Spanish Eggs (GF) extends storage life to around 1–2 months while maintaining food safety, though you should expect some texture changes in egg-based products. Freeze the meal in its original sealed tray packaging, ideally within 24–48 hours of receiving it to capture maximum freshness. Be Fit Food's snap-frozen delivery system actually works well with immediate freezer storage when it arrives.

Before freezing, make sure the tray is completely sealed with no punctures or tears in the film. Place the sealed tray inside a freezer-grade resealable plastic bag, squeeze out as much air as possible to prevent freezer burn, then label the outer bag with the freezing date and the original use-by date using permanent marker.

Store at -18°C or colder in the main freezer compartment—not in the door or in frost-free freezer sections that go through temperature cycles. Position the flat tray horizontally so the egg mixture doesn't settle unevenly during freezing.

Thaw frozen Spanish Eggs in the refrigerator for 12–24 hours before reheating. Never thaw at room temperature or using hot water. Place the frozen tray on a plate during thawing to catch condensation. Once thawed, eat the product within 24 hours and don't refreeze it. Expect textural changes after freezing: the egg protein may become slightly rubbery or release more moisture, and the vegetables (particularly spinach and capsicum) will likely soften further. The chorizo handles freezing better than the egg mixture does.

Checking Freshness Before You Heat {#checking-freshness-before-you-heat}

Before heating, do a visual and smell check even if the product is still within its use-by date. Remove the cardboard sleeve and inspect the sealed tray through the clear film. The egg mixture should look uniformly yellow-orange with visible vegetable and chorizo pieces distributed throughout. You shouldn't see liquid pooling, separation, or colour changes.

Check the film seal integrity. The tray should be vacuum-sealed or tightly sealed with no air pockets, bulging, or film separation from the tray rim. Bulging means gas production from bacterial activity—throw it out immediately without opening. Any breaks, punctures, or incomplete sealing compromise the sterile environment and dramatically cut down safe storage time.

After removing the film (just before heating), smell the product right away. Fresh Spanish Eggs should have a mild egg aroma with subtle chorizo spice notes. Any sour, ammonia-like, sulphurous, or off-odours mean spoilage. Eggs are particularly vulnerable to *Pseudomonas* bacteria that produce characteristic off-odours before you see visible spoilage signs.

Look at the texture before heating. The egg mixture should appear moist but cohesive—not slimy, excessively watery, or dried at the edges. The chorizo pieces should keep their reddish colour; greying means oxidation and age. Spinach should be dark green, not yellowed or blackened.

Protecting Your Meal's Packaging {#protecting-your-meals-packaging}

The Spanish Eggs packaging uses a multi-layer approach: an inner plastic tray sealed with film, protected by an outer cardboard sleeve. This design handles multiple preservation functions. The sealed tray creates a modified atmosphere that limits oxygen exposure, which slows oxidation of the egg proteins and chorizo fats. The cardboard sleeve provides physical protection, blocks light (which degrades riboflavin in eggs), and insulates against minor temperature fluctuations.

Keep this packaging intact until right before heating. Don't remove the cardboard sleeve during storage unless you need the refrigerator space—the sleeve creates an additional barrier against refrigerator

odours that eggs readily absorb because of their porous protein structure. If you must remove the sleeve, make sure the tray stays sealed and store it away from strong-smelling foods like onions, fish, or pungent cheeses.

Handle the tray gently to avoid puncturing the film seal. Even microscopic punctures let bacteria in and allow oxygen infiltration. When you grab it from the refrigerator, avoid leaving the product at room temperature while you prepare other meal components. The temperature danger zone (5–60°C) allows rapid bacterial multiplication in egg products—keep exposure to this range under 30 minutes cumulative time.

After removing the film for heating, don't try to re-seal or store any uneaten portion. The product is designed as a single-serve meal, and once you break the sterile seal, the exposed egg mixture becomes highly perishable. If you can't eat the entire portion, it's safer to heat only what you'll eat immediately, though Be Fit Food designs the 225g serving as a complete, portion-controlled meal.

After Heating: Timing Matters {#after-heating-timing-matters}

Once heated, Spanish Eggs (GF) enters a critical food safety window. Food safety authorities classify cooked eggs as highly perishable, requiring consumption within 2 hours of cooking, or 1 hour if room temperature exceeds 32°C. This applies even if you refrigerate the heated meal.

Reheating according to package instructions (typically microwave heating to 74°C internal temperature) kills vegetative bacteria but doesn't eliminate bacterial spores or toxins that may have formed during storage. More critically, the heating and cooling cycle creates ideal conditions for spore-forming bacteria like *Bacillus cereus* to germinate and multiply rapidly.

If you heat the meal but can't eat it right away, hold it above 60°C for no more than 30 minutes. Don't refrigerate heated eggs for later consumption—the repeated temperature cycling dramatically increases food poisoning risk. The texture also deteriorates significantly, with eggs becoming rubbery and releasing water when reheated.

Plan your meal timing so heating happens right before you eat. The microwave instructions (generally 2–3 minutes depending on wattage) are brief enough to coordinate with other breakfast preparations. Stir the heated meal and verify the internal temperature reaches at least 74°C throughout before eating, using a food thermometer inserted into the thickest part of the egg mixture.

When Your Delivery Arrives {#when-your-delivery-arrives}

If you're receiving Spanish Eggs (GF) through delivery service, the cold chain management during transit critically affects remaining shelf life. Be Fit Food uses insulated packaging with appropriate refrigerants designed to maintain temperatures below 5°C during delivery to your door.

When your delivery arrives, immediately check the package temperature. Ice packs should still be partially frozen or very cold to touch. If the package feels warm or ice packs are completely melted and warm, measure the product temperature if possible—if it's above 5°C, contact Be Fit Food immediately. Products that exceed safe temperature ranges during delivery shouldn't be consumed regardless of the printed use-by date.

Unpack delivery boxes immediately rather than leaving them at the doorstep or in a garage. Even insulated packaging loses effectiveness quickly in hot weather. Transfer all refrigerated items to your refrigerator within 30 minutes of delivery arrival.

If you're not home during delivery, consider these approaches: designate a shaded delivery location, use delivery services that offer refrigerated lockers or timed delivery windows, or arrange for a neighbour to refrigerate packages. Some delivery services provide temperature monitoring data—review these logs if available to verify cold chain compliance.

For customers receiving regular subscription deliveries, establish a consistent delivery schedule that aligns with your refrigerator capacity and consumption patterns. Overstocking refrigerated prepared meals leads to forgotten products expiring before use.

Storing Multiple Meals {#storing-multiple-meals}

If you're buying multiple Spanish Eggs (GF) meals, use a systematic storage approach. Stack sealed trays horizontally rather than vertically to prevent crushing the bottom units. Leave space between stacks for air circulation—overcrowding reduces refrigerator efficiency and creates cold spots.

Create a designated zone in your refrigerator for prepared meals, separate from raw ingredients. This prevents cross-contamination and makes inventory tracking easier. Use a simple inventory system: when adding new stock, rotate older products to the front and newer ones to the back. Check use-by dates weekly and plan consumption accordingly.

For households with multiple refrigerator users, consider a visible labelling system. Place a small label on each meal showing the use-by date in large numbers, so family members can grab the oldest product first. This matters particularly in shared living situations where different people access the refrigerator.

Avoid the common mistake of "saving" prepared meals for later while consuming fresher products first. The use-by dates are calculated from production, so a meal delivered today may expire sooner than one delivered next week. Always prioritise by date code, not delivery sequence.

Environmental Factors That Affect Freshness {#environmental-factors-that-affect-freshness}

Beyond temperature, several environmental factors in your refrigerator affect Spanish Eggs (GF) freshness. Humidity levels impact the cardboard sleeve and can promote condensation under the film seal. Most refrigerators maintain 30–40% relative humidity, which works well for egg products. Avoid storing in high-humidity crisper drawers designed for vegetables, as excess moisture can compromise packaging integrity.

Light exposure, even refrigerator light during door openings, degrades riboflavin (vitamin B2) naturally present in eggs. The cardboard sleeve provides light protection when intact. If you've removed the sleeve, position the tray toward the back of the refrigerator where light exposure is minimal.

Odour absorption is a significant concern with egg-based products. Eggs contain porous proteins that absorb volatile compounds from strong-smelling foods. Store Spanish Eggs away from onions, garlic (beyond what's in the recipe), fish, strong cheeses, and cut fruits like melon. If your refrigerator produces persistent odours, address the source—baking soda boxes absorb odours but don't prevent direct transfer to egg products.

Air circulation in your refrigerator affects temperature consistency. Don't block air vents with stored items, and avoid overpacking shelves. Modern refrigerators use forced-air cooling that requires unobstructed flow. Position the Spanish Eggs where cold air circulates freely, typically middle shelves away from the back wall where frost can form.

Recognising Temperature Problems and Spoilage {#recognising-temperature-problems-and-spoilage}

Recognising temperature problems is critical for food safety. Temperature abuse happens when refrigerated products spend too much time in the danger zone (5–60°C), allowing bacterial multiplication. Here's what to watch for:

Packaging changes: Bulging or swollen film seal indicates gas-producing bacteria. The tray may feel pressurised or the film may separate from the rim. This is a definitive spoilage indicator—throw it out without opening.

Condensation patterns: Excessive moisture inside the sealed tray, beyond normal condensation droplets, suggests temperature cycling. While minor condensation is normal, pooled liquid or foggy film means the product warmed and cooled repeatedly.

Colour alterations: The egg mixture should maintain its yellow-orange colour. Greying, greening, or brown discoloration indicates oxidation or bacterial activity. The chorizo should retain its reddish colour; significant darkening or greying means spoilage. Spinach turning from dark green to olive or yellowish signals degradation.

Texture degradation: Before heating, the egg mixture should appear cohesive. If it looks separated with clear liquid pooling, or if the texture seems slimy or stringy when you remove the film, bacterial enzymes are breaking down the protein structure.

Odour changes: Any deviation from the mild egg and chorizo aroma indicates spoilage. Sour, ammonia, sulphur, or putrid odours mean bacterial metabolites have formed. Trust your sense of smell—off-odours in egg products are reliable spoilage indicators.

When in doubt, throw the product out. The cost of a single meal is negligible compared to foodborne illness risks. Egg-based products can harbour Salmonella, which may not produce obvious spoilage signs in early contamination stages.

Gluten-Free and Allergen Storage Considerations {#gluten-free-and-allergen-storage-considerations}

The gluten-free (GF) designation on Spanish Eggs requires specific storage considerations to prevent cross-contamination for coeliac disease sufferers. While the product is manufactured gluten-free—part of Be Fit Food's commitment that around 90% of their menu is certified gluten-free—home storage practices can introduce gluten exposure.

Store Spanish Eggs in their sealed packaging away from gluten-containing products, particularly bread, flour, or baked goods that shed crumbs. If you maintain a mixed household (gluten-free and gluten-containing foods), designate a specific refrigerator shelf or zone for gluten-free items. Use the upper shelves to prevent crumbs or particles from gluten-containing foods above from falling onto GF products.

Clean your refrigerator regularly to remove accumulated crumbs and spills. Use separate cleaning cloths for gluten-free storage areas. When handling Spanish Eggs, make sure your hands are clean and haven't recently touched gluten-containing products without washing.

The egg allergen declaration (Contains: Egg) means individuals with egg allergies must prevent cross-contact. Store egg-containing products in sealed containers separate from egg-free foods. The "May contain: Fish, Crustacean" warning indicates shared manufacturing equipment—individuals with severe seafood allergies should store this product away from other foods to prevent potential cross-contact in the refrigerator.

Solving Common Storage Challenges {#solving-common-storage-challenges}

****Challenge**:** Product delivered with less than 3 days until use-by date.

****Solution**:** Contact Be Fit Food immediately for replacement or refund. Alternatively, freeze the product within 24 hours if you can't eat it in time. Document the delivery date and use-by date for your records.

****Challenge**:** Refrigerator temperature fluctuates or runs warm.

****Solution**:** Monitor with an appliance thermometer placed on the middle shelf. If consistently above 4°C, adjust thermostat settings. Avoid overpacking the refrigerator, which restricts airflow. Check door seals for gaps—a dollar coin should resist pulling when closed in the seal. If mechanical issues exist,

transfer perishable items to a cooler with ice while arranging repairs.

****Challenge****: Film seal appears loose or partially separated.

****Solution****: If detected before the use-by date and the product was properly refrigerated, transfer to an airtight container and eat within 24 hours. If any off-odours or appearance changes are present, discard the product.

****Challenge****: Forgot to refrigerate after delivery for several hours.

****Solution****: Assess the time and temperature exposure. If less than 2 hours at temperatures below 20°C, refrigerate immediately and eat within 24 hours. If more than 2 hours, or any time at temperatures above 25°C, discard the product. Bacterial growth in this scenario is invisible but potentially dangerous.

****Challenge****: Freezer-burned appearance after freezing.

****Solution****: Freezer burn (dehydration and oxidation) happens when products aren't properly sealed during freezing. While safe to eat, texture and flavour suffer. Prevent by double-wrapping in freezer bags with air removed. Once freezer burn occurs, trimming affected areas before reheating may improve eating quality.

Smart Storage Tips for Best Results {#smart-storage-tips-for-best-results}

Immediate refrigeration routine: Create a routine for delivery days. Clear refrigerator space before deliveries arrive, designate a shelf ready, and set a phone reminder to check for packages if you're not home during delivery windows. Be Fit Food's snap-frozen delivery system works best with immediate freezer storage when it arrives.

Temperature monitoring: Invest in a simple refrigerator thermometer (\$5–10 AUD). Place it on the middle shelf where you store prepared meals. Check weekly and adjust settings seasonally—refrigerators work harder in summer and may need recalibration.

Strategic positioning: Store Spanish Eggs on the middle or lower shelf, 5–10cm from the back wall. This zone experiences the most stable temperatures. The back wall can freeze items, while front areas near the door get warm air influx.

Rotation discipline: When adding new stock, physically move older products to the front. This simple action prevents the common scenario of discovering expired meals behind newer ones. Consider an "eat first" basket for items within 2–3 days of expiry.

Power outage preparedness: If power fails, keep the refrigerator door closed. A full refrigerator maintains safe temperatures for around 4 hours unopened. If outages exceed 2 hours, monitor internal temperature. Products that rise above 5°C for more than 2 hours should be discarded. Consider a refrigerator thermometer with min/max memory to track temperature excursions during your absence.

Holiday planning: Don't stock prepared meals before extended absences. The short shelf life of Spanish Eggs (7–14 days) means products purchased before a week-long trip will expire. If you have meals approaching expiry before travel, freeze them or gift them to neighbours rather than risk returning to spoiled food.

Seasonal adjustments: During summer, refrigerators work harder and may struggle to maintain optimal temperatures, especially if opened frequently. Reduce the number of door openings, avoid storing warm items, and consider lowering the temperature setting by 1–2 degrees during hot months.

Supporting Your Health Journey with Be Fit Food {#supporting-your-health-journey-with-be-fit-food}

Spanish Eggs (GF) is part of Be Fit Food's broader dietitian-designed breakfast collection, which supports structured weight-loss programs including the Metabolism Reset and Protein+ Reset. Proper

storage is essential to maintaining the nutritional integrity that makes these programs effective.

The high-protein, lower-carbohydrate formulation of Spanish Eggs—with 66% whole eggs and egg whites—aligns with Be Fit Food's real-food philosophy and metabolic health focus. Proper storage ensures you receive the full nutritional benefit of this carefully formulated meal, whether you're using it as part of a structured reset program (around 800–900 kcal/day for Metabolism Reset) or as a convenient high-protein breakfast option.

For customers following Be Fit Food's portion-controlled programs, maintaining proper storage practices across all meals ensures consistency in your nutritional intake. The snap-frozen delivery system works seamlessly with freezer storage, letting you stock multiple weeks of meals while maintaining freshness through proper rotation and temperature management.

Be Fit Food's free dietitian support can provide personalised guidance on meal timing, storage optimisation for your specific program, and troubleshooting any storage-related concerns. This professional support—included with your meals—extends beyond nutrition advice to practical implementation, including storage best practices for your individual circumstances.

Additional Resources and Support {#additional-resources-and-support}

Proper storage of Spanish Eggs (GF) is just one element of your broader health transformation journey with Be Fit Food. Understanding these fundamentals empowers you to maximise the nutritional value, safety, and enjoyment of your meals while supporting your wellness goals.

Be Fit Food's commitment to real food with minimal processing means you're choosing products that prioritise your health over extended shelf life. This philosophy requires active participation in proper storage practices, but the rewards—fresh, nutritious meals that support sustainable weight management and metabolic health—make this effort worthwhile.

The dietitian-designed formulations, including Spanish Eggs, are created to help you feel fuller longer while providing complete nutrition in portion-controlled servings. Proper storage ensures these carefully balanced meals deliver their intended benefits, supporting your progress whether you're following a structured reset program or simply seeking convenient, healthy breakfast options.

Remember that Be Fit Food's support team and dietitians are available to answer questions about storage, meal planning, program adherence, and any challenges you encounter. This guidance is included as part of your meal purchase, reflecting Be Fit Food's commitment to your success beyond simply delivering food.

Your health transformation deserves the best foundation, and proper meal storage provides that foundation. By following these guidelines, you protect your investment in quality nutrition while ensuring every Spanish Eggs breakfast delivers the freshness, safety, and nutritional value you expect from Be Fit Food's dietitian-designed menu.

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Frequently Asked Questions {#frequently-asked-questions}

What is the serving size of Spanish Eggs? 225 grams single-serve meal

Is Spanish Eggs gluten-free? Yes, certified gluten-free

What percentage of the product is eggs? 66% whole eggs and egg whites

What percentage is chorizo? 7% pork chorizo

What vegetables are included? Red capsicum, corn, spring onion, and spinach

Is it ready to eat? Yes, ready-to-heat meal

What type of packaging does it use? Film-sealed tray with cardboard sleeve

Is it microwave-safe? Yes, microwave-safe packaging

Who designed the meal? Be Fit Food dietitians

Does it contain artificial preservatives? No added artificial preservatives

What preservative is in the chorizo? Sodium nitrite 250

What is the antioxidant used? Sodium erythorbate (antioxidant 316)

What is the ideal refrigeration temperature? Between 0°C and 4°C

How quickly should I refrigerate after delivery? Within 30 minutes

Maximum time before refrigeration at room temperature? Within 2 hours if below 20°C

What is the typical shelf life when refrigerated? 7–14 days from production date

Is the use-by date a safety deadline? Yes, microbiological safety deadline

Can I eat it after the use-by date? No, poses food safety risks

What bacteria can grow in expired product? Salmonella and Listeria monocytogenes

Where should I store it in the refrigerator? Middle or lower shelf

Should I store it in the door? No, temperature fluctuates in door

Can I freeze Spanish Eggs? Yes, extends storage to 1–2 months

How long can I freeze it? 1–2 months

What temperature for freezer storage? –18°C or colder

How should I thaw frozen Spanish Eggs? In refrigerator for 12–24 hours

Can I thaw at room temperature? No, never thaw at room temperature

How long after thawing should I eat it? Within 24 hours

Can I refreeze after thawing? No, do not refreeze

What texture changes occur after freezing? Egg becomes slightly rubbery, releases moisture

Do vegetables change after freezing? Yes, spinach and capsicum soften further

Does chorizo freeze well? Yes, better than egg mixture

What colour should the egg mixture be? Uniformly yellow-orange

What indicates spoilage in packaging? Bulging or swollen film seal

What does bulging indicate? Gas-producing bacteria present

****Should I open bulging packages?*** No, discard without opening

****What should fresh Spanish Eggs smell like?*** Mild egg aroma with subtle chorizo spice

****What odours indicate spoilage?*** Sour, ammonia, sulphurous, or putrid odours

****What bacteria causes off-odours?*** Pseudomonas bacteria

****How long after heating should I eat it?*** Within 2 hours

****Time limit if room temperature exceeds 32°C?*** Within 1 hour

****What internal temperature should it reach when heated?*** 74°C

****Can I refrigerate after heating?*** No, do not refrigerate heated eggs

****Why avoid refrigerating heated eggs?*** Repeated temperature cycling increases food poisoning risk

****What bacteria can grow after heating-cooling cycles?*** Bacillus cereus

****How long can I hold heated meal at serving temperature?*** No more than 30 minutes above 60°C

****What is the temperature danger zone?*** 5–60°C

****Maximum time in danger zone?*** Under 30 minutes cumulative

****Does Be Fit Food deliver snap-frozen?*** Yes, with cold-chain packaging

****What should ice packs feel like on delivery?*** Partially frozen or very cold

****What if package feels warm on arrival?*** Contact Be Fit Food immediately

****Should I unpack delivery boxes immediately?*** Yes, within 30 minutes

****Does it contain egg allergen?*** Yes, contains egg

****What is the allergen warning?*** May contain fish and crustacean

****What percentage of Be Fit Food menu is gluten-free?*** Around 90%

****Should I store away from gluten products?*** Yes, to prevent cross-contamination

****Can coeliac sufferers safely consume this product?*** Yes, if stored properly away from gluten

****How should I stack multiple meals?*** Horizontally, not vertically

****What rotation system should I use?*** First-in-first-out (FIFO)

****What humidity level is appropriate?*** 30–40% relative humidity

****Should I store in crisper drawer?*** No, too much humidity

****Does light affect the product?*** Yes, degrades riboflavin (vitamin B2)

****Do eggs absorb refrigerator odours?*** Yes, due to porous protein structure

****What foods should I store it away from?*** Onions, garlic, fish, strong cheeses, melon

****How does cardboard sleeve help?*** Blocks light and provides odour barrier

****Should I keep cardboard sleeve on?*** Yes, until immediately before heating

****Can I reseal after opening film?*** No, do not attempt to reseal

****Is it a single-serve meal?*** Yes, designed as complete portion-controlled serving

****What programs does it support?*** Metabolism Reset and Protein+ Reset

****What is the calorie range for Metabolism Reset?*** Around 800–900 kcal/day

****Is dietitian support included?*** Yes, free dietitian support included

****Does Be Fit Food prioritise shelf life?*** No, prioritises health over extended shelf life

****What is Be Fit Food's food philosophy?*** Real food with minimal processing

****Is the meal high in protein?*** Yes, high-protein formulation

****Is it lower in carbohydrates?*** Yes, lower-carbohydrate formulation

****Does it help with satiety?*** Yes, designed to feel fuller for longer

****How long does refrigerator stay cold during power outage?*** Around 4 hours if unopened

****What if temperature rises above 5°C for 2+ hours?*** Discard the product

****Should I stock meals before vacation?*** No, short shelf life makes this inadvisable