Common substitutions & abbreviations

Ingredient	Amount	Substitute
Baking Powder, Double-Acting	1 teaspoon	1/4 teaspoon baking soda plus 5/8 teaspoon cream of tartar
Buttermilk or Sour Milk	1 cup	1 tablespoon lemon juice or vinegar plus enough
		regular milk to make 1 cup (allow to stand 5 minutes)
Chocolate, unsweetened	1 ounce	3 tablespoons cocoa plus 1 tablespoon butter or regular margarine or vegetable oil
*Cornstarch (for thickening)	1 tablespoon	• 2 tablespoons flour
		 4 to 6 teaspoons quick-cooking tapioca
Cream of Tartar	1/2 teaspoon	1 1/2 teaspoons lemon juice or vinegar
*Flour, all-purpose, for baking	1 cup	1/2 cup whole wheat flour plus 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
*Flour, all-purpose, for thickening	1 tablespoon	• 1/2 tablespoon cornstarch, potato starch, rice starch or arrowroot
		 1 1/2 tablespoons whole wheat flour
		 1 tablespoon granular tapioca
		 2 to 3 teaspoons quick-cooking tapioca
Ginger, ground	1/8 teaspoon	1 tablespoon fresh grated ginger
*Herbs, fresh	1 tablespoon,	• 1 teaspoon dried leaf herbs
	minced	• 1/2 teaspoon ground dried herbs
Lemon juice (for acid)	1 teaspoon	1/2 teaspoon vinegar
Mayonnaise (for use in salads and	Any amount	An equal amount of
salad dressings)		• sour cream
		• yogurt
		 cottage cheese pureed in a blender
Mushrooms	1 pound fresh	3 ounces dried mushrooms
Mustard, dry	1 teaspoon	 1 tablespoon prepared mustard
		• 1/2 teaspoon mustard seeds
Tomatoes, 15-ounce can (whole or diced)		3 fresh medium tomatoes
Tomatoes, fresh	2 cups, chopped	• 15-ounce can
Wine, red	Any amount	same amount of grape juice or cranberry juice
Wine, white	Any amount	Equal amount of apple juice or white grape juice
Yogurt	Any amount	Equal amount
		• buttermilk
		 cup cottage cheese blended till smooth
		• sour cream

Abbreviation	Meaning
C or c	cup
lb	pound
OZ	ounce
Т	tablespoon
t	teaspoon
Tbsp	tablespoon
Ts [rare]	tablespoons
tsp	teaspoon