Oreo Peppermint Cookie Balls

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Yield: 48 balls

6 (1/3 cup) peppermint candy canes, finely chopped and divided 1 package (8 ounce) cream cheese, softened 36 Oreo cookies, finely crushed 4 packages (4 ounce ea) semi-sweet baking chocolate, melted Reserve one tablespoon of the chopped candy canes.

Place waxed paper on the bottom of a shallow baking pan.

In a bowl, mix the remaining canes with the cream cheese and cookie crumbs until well blended.

Roll the mixture into one-inch balls. Freeze the balls for 10 minutes to firm slightly..

In a double boiler, melt the chocolate.

Dip the balls in the melted chocolate. Place the balls in a single layer in the waxed paper-lined pan. Sprinkle with the reserved chopped candy canes.

Refrigerate for one hour or until firm.

Per Serving (excluding unknown items): 810 Calories; 81g Fat (88.5% calories from fat); 18g Protein; 6g Carbohydrate; 0g Dietary Fiber; 255mg Cholesterol; 686mg Sodium. Exchanges: 2 1/2 Lean Meat; 15 Fat.