SPORTS NUTRITION FOR LAKELAND ATHLETES









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Carbohydrates and Sports



Field Sports

Intermittent energy demand, short distances covered, lots of short bursts



Field Sports

energy demand,

large distances

High overall

covered

Mat Sports

High overall energy demand, short bursts



Court Sports

High overall energy demand, smaller area, shorter duration

Batting Sports

Low overall energy demand, long duration

CARBOHYDRATES ARE ESSENTIAL

Maintain short energy bursts

To maintain glycogen stores

To maintain blood glucose for attention & decision making

To maintain glycogen over time



Carbohydrates and Performance

- Carbohydrates = Muscle Fuel
 - Simple Carbs ("Fast Release"):
 fruit, candy, cake/pastries, white rice, white bread, soft drinks/juice, sugar, syrup/honey, etc.
 - Complex Carbs ("Slow Release):
 leafy vegetables (lettuce, spinach, kale), nuts
 (walnuts, brazil nuts, pecans), whole wheat pasta,
 whole grain bread, brown rice, sweet potatoes,
 etc.
- 3-4 Hour Prior to Exercise ("Pre-Game Meal")
 - Complex carb foods
 - Minimal fiber, fat, and protein
- <1 Hour Prior to Exercise
 - Same rules as above; however, may come in the form of gels, gummies, and/or sports drinks

Carbohydrate Recommendations for Sport Performance

1-4 Hours Before

.454 - 1.8 g/lb

1 Hour Before

~ 25 - 30g

During

30 - 60 g/h

≥ 60 min duration Performance goal After

.454 - .544 g/lb

< ~ 8 h until next training or competition

For Example: 260 lb Center on the Basketball Team

1-4 Hours Before

118 - 468 g

1 Hour Before

~ 25 - 30g

During

30 - 60 g/h

≥ 60 min duration Performance goal After

118 - 141 g

< ~ 8 h until next training or competition

Summary: Carbohydrate Energy

- Sports, although very diverse, have commonalities including:
 - a mixture of high and low intense activity
 - changes in pace/direction
 - rely on skill
 - can involve physical contests
- Daily requirement depends on the activity level and body size
- Carbs before and during can top off fuel supply and improve performance
- Types of carbs, in addition to amount and timing, are important
- It is imperative that the athlete personalizes their carb intake based on recommendations and tolerance









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Hydration and Performance

- Water ~ 60% of body weight
- Roles in numerous physiological processes
- Evaporation of sweat cools the body
- Performance suffers with fluid/sweat losses > 2% body weight

Dehydration and Performance

- 2% dehydration = decreases in endurance performance
- Performance decrements also seen in:
 - Anaerobic/high intensity performance
 - Muscle strength
 - Muscle power
 - Cognition



Summary: Hydration

- Dehydration can decrease performance within the team sport setting
- Efforts to hydrate should be made to avoid fluid losses of ≥ 2% of body mass
- Fluid imbalances vary among sports because of differences in fluid availability or opportunity for hydration breaks
- Sweat rates and sodium losses vary between sports
- Drink 16-20 fl oz (1 x "bottled water") for every pound lost after activity
- Include sodium with fluids to improve palatability, stimulate drinking, and retain fluid







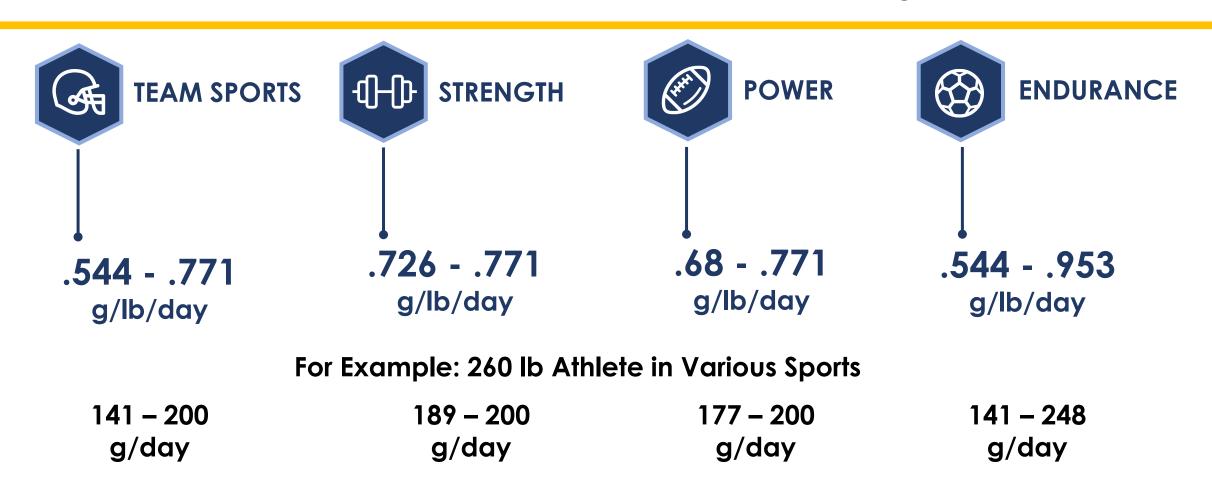
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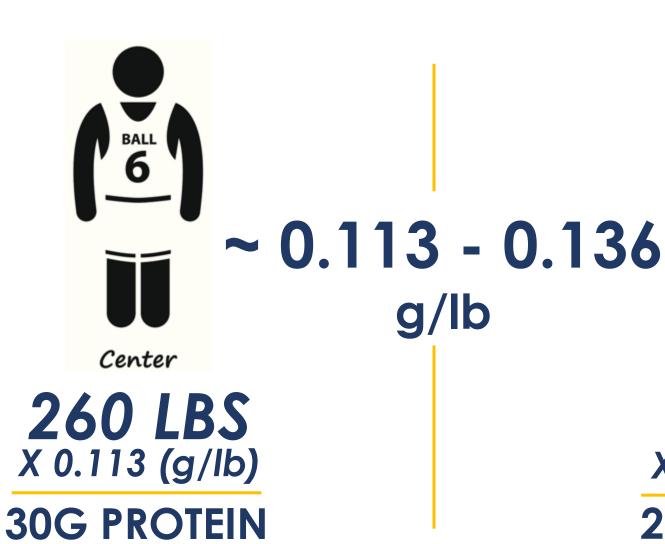
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Protein Amount - Daily

Recommended Dietary Allowance: 0.363 g/lb/day



Protein Amount - Recovery





185 LBS X 0.113 (g/lb) 21G PROTEIN

Protein Timing- Amount and Timing

What about if we combine dosage and timing?

Athletes Should:

- Consume 0.113 g/lb body mass protein
- Immediately after training
- Spread evenly every 3-4 hours = more positive protein balance





Protein and Sleep

- Protein intake right before bed can boost muscle repair
- Casein (slow digesting protein)
 - Higher amount (30-40g; 0.223 g/lb)
 - Found in cows milk and goat's milk
- Could be beneficial, especially as an in-season protocol
 - Frequent games (baseball, basketball)
 - High muscle damage (football, rugby, hockey)

Protein Type- How does this translate to food?

Leucine-Rich Foods	
Egg, white, raw, fresh	4.23
Whey, protein dried	4.00
Seaweed, spirulina, raw	3.92
Chicken, broilers or fryers, breast, meat only, cooked, rotisserie	3.84
Fish, tuna, light, canned in water, drained solids	3.57
Turkey, fryer-roasters, light meat, meat only, raw	3.57
Fish, cod, Pacific, cooked, dry heat	3.55
Greek yogurt	3.50
Pork, fesh, loin, boneless	3.38
Chicken breast, oven roasted	3.04
Beef, round, top round, lean only	3.00
Cheese, cottage, nonfat, uncreamed, dry, large or small curd	2.88
Cheese, low fat, cheddar or colby	2.48
Tofu, silken, extra firm	2.32
Milk, reduced fat (2%)	1.33

The best protein for recovery will have these three critical components to drive muscle protein synthesis:

- 1. A complete protein
- Rapidly digested & absorbed
- 3. Rich in leucine

While egg and whey have the highest leucine values, from a practical standpoint all foods on this list are appropriate.

For vegetarian and vegan athletes, blend foods for complete amino acids.

Summary: Protein

 Protein is a critical nutrient for muscle repair and recovery, especially for athletes who sustain high amounts of muscle damage

 Daily amounts vary between athletes; however, 0.113 - 0.136g/lb has been found to be an optimal per meal dose

- Timing is crucial as well– but more so as it relates to spreading protein intake every 3-4 hours throughout the day and before sleep
- Types of protein should include foods that contain complete protein sources that are quickly digested/absorbed and rich in leucine (whey and animal products)
- If an athlete consistently eats the correct amounts, at the right time of complete proteins—he/she/they may be able to achieve optimal recovery

Sample Menu: 140 lb Athlete

- **Breakfast**: 2 cups Life Cereal, 10 oz Skim Milk, Banana, 10 oz Orange Juice
- **Snack**: Apple, 2 TBS Peanut Butter, 1 oz Pretzels
- Lunch: Turkey Sandwich (Wheat Bread), 10 Baby Carrots, Chocolate Pudding Cup
- Snack (Pre-Practice): 20 oz Gatorade, Granola Bar
- Dinner: 1.5 cups Spaghetti with Marinara Sauce, Tossed Salad with Dressing, 3 pieces Garlic Toast, 8 oz Skim Milk

2557 kcal (Carbohydrate: 2.948 g/lb, Protein: 0.635 g/lb)

Sample Menu: 180 lb Athlete

- **Breakfast**: 2 cups Life Cereal, 12 oz Skim Milk, Banana, 12 oz Orange Juice
- Snack: Apple, 2 TBS Peanut Butter, 2 oz Pretzels
- Lunch: 2 Turkey Sandwiches (Wheat Bread), 10 Baby Carrots, Chocolate Pudding Cup
- Snack (Pre-Practice): 20 oz Gatorade, Granola Bar
- Dinner: 3 cups Spaghetti with Marinara Sauce, Tossed Salad with Dressing, 3 pieces Garlic Toast, 12 oz Skim Milk
- Evening Snack: 12 oz Blueberry Banana Smoothie

3262 kcal (Carbohydrate: 2.948 g/lb, Protein: 0.726 g/lb)

Putting It All Together

- Daily carbohydrate intake = 2.268 3.175 g/lb
- Daily protein intake = 0.544 0.771 g/lb
- Carbohydrates from fruits, vegetables, and whole grains for fuel.
- Protein from high quality source animal products for recovery.
- Meals/snacks spread throughout the day and evening for optimal energy and recovery