## Nutrition in Action, PLLC Hydration Guidelines

## Before Practice

## How to determine general hydration needs:

- Body weight divided by $2=$ ounces of fluid needed per day
- Athletes need an ADDITIONAL 8 oz of fluid for every 15 minutes of exercise. Check sweat rate to be sure.

Example: A 130 lb athlete would need 65 ounces of fluid per day (130lbs/2).
**If this athlete was participating in one training session(1 hour), she would need 97 ounces/day (65+32).

Weigh yourself before practice so you can determine your fluid needs postpractice.

## Pre-practice guidelines:

- Drink 16-20 ounces (2-2.5 cups) of water or sports beverage at least four hours before exercise.
- In addition, drink 8-12 ounces (1-1.5 cups) of water 10-15 minutes before exercise


## During Practice

Consumption of beverages containing electrolytes and carbohydrates during prolonged exercise can help maintain fluid balance, regulate electrolytes, and sustain exercise performance

## Practice Guidelines: Athletes

 should consume $\sim 1$ liter of fluid per hour of exercise! Or check sweat rate, to get the most accurate amount.
## After Practice

## **See other side for specific guidelines**

Weigh yourself after practice to determine your post-workout fluid needs.

Consume 2 cups of water or electrolyte drink for every pound of body weight lost during exercise.

Eat salty foods (such as nuts, popcorn, pickles, pretzels, beef jerky) between workouts and games, and during travel to aid in fluid retention and hydration.

| Pounds Lost | Fluid Lost | Sodium Lost | Fluid Replacement |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathbf{1}$ | 16 ounces | 500 mg | $2-3 \mathrm{cups}$ |
| $\mathbf{2}$ | 32 ounces | 1000 mg | $4-5 \mathrm{cups}$ |
| $\mathbf{3}$ | 48 ounces | 1500 mg | $6-7 \mathrm{cups}$ |
| $\mathbf{4}$ | 64 ounces | 2000 mg | $8-9 \mathrm{cups}$ |
| $\mathbf{5}$ | 80 ounces | 2500 mg | $10-11 \mathrm{cups}$ |

**If you have lost more than 3 pounds, please see athletic trainer.

| Food/Beverage | Sodium Content |
| :--- | :--- |
| Gatorade (20 ounces) | 275 mg |
| The Right Stuff | $1,780 \mathrm{mg}$ |
| G2 (20 ounces) | 270 mg |
| Gatorlyte | 770 mg |
| Gatorade Endurance | 800 mg |
| Pretzels (1 bag) | 900 mg |
| Beef Jerky (1 bag) | 1920 mg |
| Olives (5) | 1050 mg |
| Pickle (1) | 400 mg |
| Popcorn (1 3/4 cup) | 290 mg |
| Cashews (1/2 cup) | 280 mg |
| Sunflower Seeds $\mathbf{( 1 / 4}$ cup) | 140 mg |

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