Recovery Scoring Guide

Athletes can fill out this guide over the course of a week to assess their own recovery behaviors. Once they have scored a full day, the total reveals whether they are paying adequate attention to their physical and mental recovery needs. **17-20** daily points is optmal; **15-16** points is good but shows room for improvement; **14 or fewer** points means the athlete needs a serious individual evaluation of recovery behaviors.

	Possible Points	Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.	SCORING GUIDE ADJUSTMENTS
Nutrition	8								Give ¹ /2 a point for a less than full breakfast
Breakfast	1								
Lunch	2								Give one point for a less than full lunch
Dinner	2								Give one point for a less than full dinner
Pre-workout snack	1								
Post-exercise carb refueling within 60 minutes. (recommended: 1.0 to 1.5 g per kilogram of body weight)	2								Give one point for refueling below the recommended amount or for delaying more than 60 minutes.
Hydration	2								
Pre-exercise urine: clear or light color	1								
Post-exercise urine: clear or light color	1								
Sleep and Rest	4								Give two points for 7 to <8 hours Give one point for 6-7 hours
8 hours of restful sleep	3								
Nap during the day	1								
Relaxation and Emotional Status	3								
Fully relaxed 60 minutes post-workout or 30 minutes of feet-up relaxation post workout	1								
No daily psycho-social stress	2								Give one point for mild stress
Stretching/Cooldown	3								
Adequate cooldown after exercise	2								Give one point for partial cooldown
Stretching for at least 10 minutes	1								
TOTALS	20								

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