

Before a Run

Workouts less than 60 minutes

If running easy, you don't need any food as you'll have enough stored calories to get through your run. However, if doing a harder workout or if you feel hungry, try these...



1 Cup of low-fiber cereal with skim milk

(195 calories)



- Eat this 30 minutes before a workout.
- The milk provides protein; both the cereal and milk have carbs to keep you energized.

2-3 Fig cookies

(198 calories)



- Eat these 30 minutes to 1 hour before a workout.
- The cookies are easy to digest and packed with high-energy carbs, vitamins, and minerals.





Cottage cheese with fruit (160 calories)



- Eat this 60 to 90 minutes before a workout.
- The fruit offers carbs for energy, while the cottage cheese provides calcium, potassium, and vitamin D all of which come in handy when training.

4.

3 Graham crackers with 1 teaspoon of honey (98 calories)





- Eat these 15 to 30 minutes before a workout or short speed session.
- These crackers are packed with carbs to keep you energized for your workout.

5.

Low-fat fruit yogurt and 1 peach

(275 calories)



- **Section** Eat this 1 hour before a workout.
- This snack has calcium, vitamin D, and potassium to support bone and muscle health, plus antioxidants to boost immune function.





Workouts longer than 60 minutes

1.

1 banana and nut butter

(200 calories)



- ⇒ Eat this 1 hour before your workout.
- The potassium and fluid in the fruit help you stay hydrated; the nut butter offers heart-healthy fat plus carbs.

2.

1 bagel with nut butter and/or honey

(390 calories)



- Eat this 1 hour before your workout.
- The bagel and toppings offer long-lasting energy so you can stay strong.

3.

Oatmeal with skim milk, topped with strawberries

(256 calories)



- **Second Second S**
- Packed with carbs and B vitamins, this is an excellent choice for pre- or postrun recovery.



4.

Pretzels with Hummas

(263 calories)



- Eat this 1 hour before your workout.
- The pretzels provide easy-to-digest carbs for fast energy plus sodium to keep you hydrated; the hummus offers iron for strength, plus protein.

5.

2 whole-grain waffles (frozen) with a little maple syrup (270 calories)



- Eat this 1 hour before your workout.
- The syrup and waffles both offer fast digesting carbs to provide an energy boost; the syrup also offers B vitamins to boost energy and bolster recovery.

6.

Peanut butter and banana sandwich on whole-grain bread (360 calories)



- **Second Second S**
- All the ingredients provide carbs for energy; the peanut butter offers extra protein to fend off hunger; and, the banana provides potassium to help stave off muscles cramps.



7.

Whole-wheat pretzels dipped in natural peanut butter (230 calories)



- Eat these 30-45 minutes before a workout.
- The pretzels provide carbs for energy and sodium to help keep you hydrated; the peanut butter offers protein to help muscles recover.

Sports drink (125 calories)



- Drinks this 15 to 30 minutes before (or during) your workout.
- Provides fluids and electrolytes to help keep you hydrated.

9.

Animal crackers dipped in peanut butter

(390 calories)



- Eat these 30 to 60 minutes before your workout.
- The animal crackers are easy to digest and provide carbs for long-lasting energy. Peanut butter has vitamins and minerals like potassium, and has been linked to lower risk of coronary heart disease.



Deli turkey wrapped in a flour tortilla

(275 calories)



- Eat this 90 minutes before your workout.
- This will provide long-lasting energy with extra protein to aid in muscle recovery.

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