

## Lactate & VO2 Pretest Protocol - June 2023

We look forward to seeing you for your exercise testing. This includes  $VO_2$  max,  $VO_2$  submax and Blood Lactate tests.

To maximize the accuracy of your test please follow the guidelines below.

## What to do 48 HOURS BEFORE the Test

## Avoid:

- Strenuous and new exercises. Choose light training or rest.
- Alcohol
- Smoking
- If not medically required, avoid supplements that affect aerobic performance (beta-blockers, steroids, cold-medications, etc)

\* Contact us if you've had respiratory, GI or other illness that decreased your capacity for exercise in the last 2 weeks leading up to your scheduled test.

## On the Test Day

- 4 HOURS BEFORE: No caffeine
- 2 HOURS BEFORE: No food or calorie-containing fluids
- **1 HOUR BEFORE:** Hydrate well leading into the test, but refrain from drinking for an hour before your test
- Wear comfortable workout gear with athletic shoes to the test
- If you have indicated a **stationary bike** as your preferred test modality and you have your own clip in shoes/pedals. Feel free to bring them with you.