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PRE-MATCH TIPS TO HELP IMPROVE YOUR GAME.

Nick Walshe, England Under 20s Assistant Coach, recommends the following to ensure optimal pre-match preparation.

TOP TEN TIPS.

- ✓ Maximise rest time by getting an early night.
- ✓ Get up at a decent hour to reduce that lethargic feeling later.
- Eat a wholesome breakfast to set yourself up for the day.
- Fit in some gentle morning exercise. A walk will help stimulate your body before the match.
- ✓ Drink plenty of fluids the day before. If you wait until you're thirsty, you're already dehydrated.
- Eat a high-carb meal at least three hours before the match.
- Have a few quiet moments to focus the mind before kick-off. Concentrate on your own role and how you will help the team success. Make sure you know all the calls.
- ✓ When you get to the ground, stick to your normal routine and don't get distracted by others.
- Have your kit ready in advance. You don't want to be panicked in the build up to the game.
- Take your mind off the game by developing your own relaxing pre-match rituals. This will stop you burning nervous energy which can leave you feeling drained during the game.





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