FINDING YOUR TARGET HEART-RATE ZONE

Example			60% Target Heart Rate				80% Target Heart Rate	
	220			220			220	
	40	age	_		age	_		
=	180	Max HR	=		maximum heart rate	=		
_	70	RHR	_		resting heart rate	_		
	110		=		exercising heart rate	=		
×	.60		×	.60	60-80%	×	.80	
=	66		=			=		
+	70	RHR	+		resting heart rate	+		
=	136	beats per minute	=		beats per minute	=		
÷	6		÷	6		÷	6	
=	23	beats per 10 seconds	=		beats per 10 seconds	=		
					Your Target Heart-Rate Zone			

The time to find your true resting heart rate is when you first awaken in the morning, before you sit up or get out of bed. Place two fingers *lightly* on the pulse in your wrist (just below your thumb) or on the carotid artery pulse next to the windpipe in your neck. While watching the second hand on a clock, count your heart beats for *one minute*. This is your resting heart rate.





Again, the reason to know your target heart-rate zone is that it tells you how fast your heart should be beating while you exercise. When you know your target heart-rate zone, simply check your pulse immediately after an exercise session to see if you have reached the minimum intensity of exercise.