## Agility Drills

Skill Set: Strength and Conditioning
Difficulty Level: Easy
Number of Athletes and Coaches: Any
Average Time to Complete: 30 minutes
Equipment Required: cones, baseballs

## Goal: Perform drills to incorporate speed and quickness while maintaining balance

## Warm Up:

- On a flat smooth surface measure out 10 yards and place a cone at the 10 yard mark
- Up and Back = 1 repetition: Rest 1 min between sets
- Sprint-Sprint x 2
- Sprint-Backpedal $\times 2$
- Backpedal - Backpedal x 2
- Shuffle - Shuffle x 2
- Remember decelerate in the shortest possible distance, always with quiet feet


## 5-10-5 Drill:

- Out and back to cone $1=1$ repetition
- Pattern: Starting at cone \# 1, sprint out and around cone \# 2; sprint out and around cone \# 3; sprint out and up to cone \# 4; touch cone \# 4 and repeat pattern back to cone \# 1.
- Sprint - Sprint 1-2 sets x 2reps
- Sprint - Backpedal 1-2 sets x 2 reps
- Shuffle - Shuffle 1-2 sets x 2reps Rest
- 1 minute between sets



## 7 Cone Drill:

- Pattern: From cone \#1, sprint out and around cone \#2, then \#3 and so on to cone \#7 (equals 1 repetition).
- Rest 30-45 seconds at cone \#7 and repeat the pattern back to cone \#1.
- Sprint - Sprint 1-2 sets $\times 2$ reps
- Sprint - Backpedal 1-2 sets $\times 2$ reps
- Shuffle - Shuffle 1-2 sets x 2reps
- Rest 1 minute between sets.
- Sprint-Backpedal:
- Always face the same direction.
- Try not to look for the cone when backpedaling; use your peripheral vision as much as possible and change direction as soon as you see the cone.
- Use a Three-Step change of direction: Plant / Transfer / Accelerate
- You can change the size of the grid for variation.



## 60 Yard Shuttle:

- Pattern: Sprint to 1st cone / back to start, sprint to 2nd cone / back to start, sprint to 3rd cone / back to start = 60 yards total.
- Sprint - Sprint x 1rep
- Sprint-Backpedal x 1rep
- Shuffle - Shuffle x 1rep
- Repeat entire program 2 times
- Rest 1 minute between sets.


Ball Drops: Done with a partner and 2 baseballs

- Start facing your partner
- Partner 1 (P1) on a line with the two baseballs in hand.
- Partner 2 (P2) will begin to backpedal.
- P1 with an arm held straight out will drop the ball.
- As soon as P2 sees the ball drop, sprint to P1, pick up the ball, hand it to P1 and start to backpedal again.
- P1 drop the ball at different times making P2 react to short and long delays.
- Perform 2-3 sets of 10 drops
- Note: When Partner 2 is changing direction, rotate the hips to the left or right and plant with an open foot. Alternate the plant foot on each rep.


## Ball Pick-Ups: Done with a partner and 2 baseballs

- Start facing your partner, 5-10 yards apart
- Partner 1 (P1) on a line with the two baseballs in hand.
- Partner 2 (P2) will begin to shuffle side to side in fielding position
- P1 will roll the ball to the left never more than 5-6yards on either side of P2
- As soon as P2 sees the ball, side shuffle to the ball, field it and softly toss it back to P1and it to P1
- As soon as P2 tosses the ball back to P1, P2 should get back to the middle for the next ball.
- P1 should mix up the direction of the rolls to force P2 to react to the ball
- P1, be sure P2 can reach each roll, Make it challenging but possible
- Perform 2-3 sets of 10 drops
- Note: Absolutely NO Diving for balls! If Partner 2 cannot reach a ball, let it go!

