

# Home Exercises

14 exercises to try at home + cool down stretches







Keep moving.

#### Warm up

#### 1 - Gentle Pulse Raising

Five minutes of continuous movement, including walking, toe taps in front, toe taps to the side, step side to side, heel press in front, knee raises with opposite hand touches.

#### 2 – Mobility

Follow some of the exercises listed in the main part of the section. Start by moving joints through a small range of movement and gradually increase to bigger moves. Other options include head rotations, body rotations, shoulder rolls forwards/backwards, swimming arms (breaststroke, front crawl, and backstroke).

## 3 – Increased Pulse Raising

Repeat the pulse raising section for a further 5 – 10 minutes as before, but perform the exercises a little faster.

#### **Main section**

Perform one minute of the following exercises, alternating between aerobic and strength exercises.

#### 1 - Aerobic Exercise - Side step left to right - 1min







## 2 - Stength exercise - Bicep curls - 15 reps







# 3 - Aerobic exercise - Toe taps - 1min







# 4 - Strength Exercise - Sit to stand - 15 reps





# 5 - Aerobic exercise - Hamstring curl - 1min





6 - Strength exercise - Upright row - 15 reps





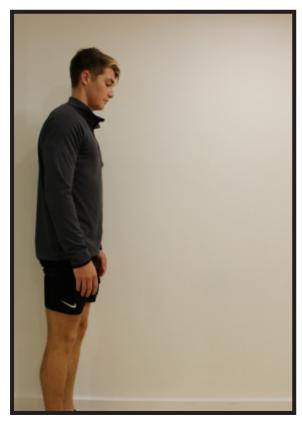
# 7 - Aerobic Exercise - Step ups - 1min







8 - Stength exercise - Lunge forward - 15 reps





# 9 - Aerobic exercise - Step kick - 1min





10 - Strength Exercise - Lateral raise - 15 reps





# 11 - Aerobic exercise - Heel digs - 1min





12 - Stength exercise - Leg raise - 15 reps





#### 13 - Aerobic Exercise - Knee lift - 1min





ALTERNATE LEGS

### 14 - Stength exercise - Triceps kickback - 15 reps







You can use tin cans as weights for the strength exercises Walk briskly for up to 5 minutes as part of the circuit.

#### Tips for progressions:

- All progressions should be gradual & made over a period of time
- Only try to add a single progression at a time

#### Possible progressions:

- Increase the duration of the aerobic exercises to two minutes
- Repeat more circuits
- Reduce the rest period between exercises

#### Cool down and stretch

Spend 10 – 15 minutes walking slowly. You can repeat exercises from the warm up but repeat more slowly.

Perform the following stretches, remembering you can do them seated if preferred.

Try to repeat the session two to three times a week and ensure you are physically active on the days you do not complete this exercise session. Examples include walking and gardening.



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## **Cool down stretches**



**Deltoids** (back of arm)

- Knees soft
- Push arm across body
- Keep hand away from elbow joint



#### **Lower back**

- Knees bent
- Hands on thighs
- Arch back, drop head

# **Hamstring**

- Back leg bent, hands on bent leg
- Back straight
- Take weight towards the floor
- Push bottom back



#### Pectorals (chest)

- Knees soft
- Clasp fingers behind the back
- Squeeze elbows up & together





# Quadricep

- Supporting knee soft
- Tilt hips forward
- Hold ankle of bent leg, knees together
- Heel away from bottom



#### Gastrocnemius

- Back straight
- Both feet face forward
- Take back leg further back to increase stretch



# Triceps (upper arm)

- Knees soft
- Hand between shoulder blades
- Keep neck straight
- Push elbow down back



# **Upper back**

- Knees soft
- Clasp fingers
- Drop head
- Push fingers away from the body



#### **Adductor**

- Both feet wide apart
- Knee over toes on bent leg
- Squeeze down to floor