



# **Puck Handling/Skating - 10 to 12 minutes Resource: Hockey Canada Skill Evaluation**

## **Drill Name & Description**

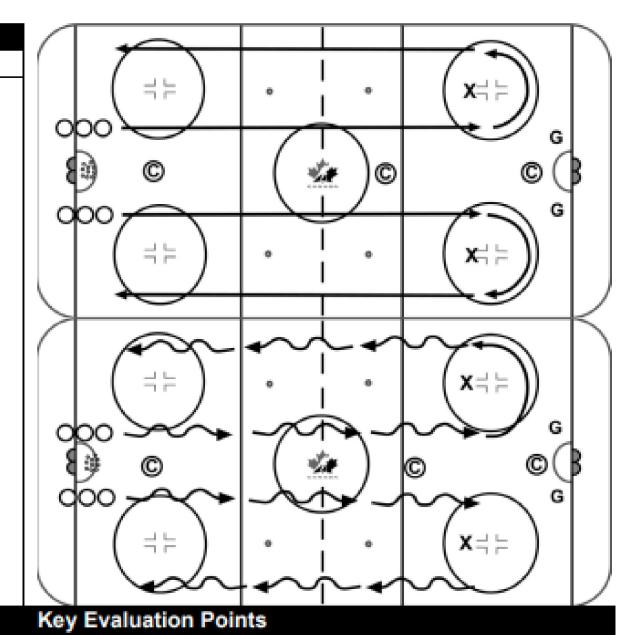
## 12 mins - Skating / Puck Control Agility Combinations

- -Form two lines at hash marks in one end, players perform skills down the middle of the ice and back along the boards.
- -Players go one after another
- Forwards and Defence do the same skills
- -Goalie Coach works with goalies at far end

## Forward Skating skills to be done With Puck

- Heel skate
- Heel skate / stride combination.
- Heel skate / 1 crossover combination.
- Stride / 1 crossover combination
- Continuous Crossovers

On Ice Instructors have ability to change skating/puck skills based on skill of group. i.e. backwards skating, pivots with puck etc.



## **Key Teaching Points**

#### Skating

- Encourage creativity / deceptive skating
- -Change direction / Lateral Movements
- -Quick feet
- -Head up
- -Technique is important in the warm-up to give the players lots of repetition on technical aspects of skating

#### Puck Control

- -Focus on the blending skills with a puck
- Progress to crossovers
- -Progress to Mohawks
- -Deceptive skating moves with puck
- Don't rush through the blended skills

## Skating

- -Eves up, scan the ice
- -Look for equal ability with both feet
- -Look for agility, quickness, speed change
- -Puck Placement

#### Puck Control

- -Eyes up, scan the ice
- -Range of motion to forehand and backhand
- -Separation of upper and lower body
- Agility, creativity, deception
- -Puck Management puck not exposed



Forward & Defense skill split - Drill 1 - 8 to 10 minutes

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## 12 mins - Skill Splits

## 1) Forwards - Entries - Overspeed Moves

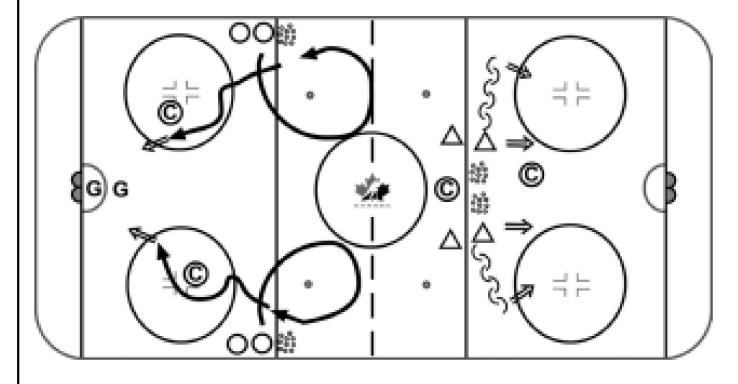
- -Players start along the boards inside the blue line.
- -Skate out from the boards into NZ and then perform a few quick crossovers to turn back. Can also pass puck off boards to self prior to entering zone
- -Turn head, scan before turning toward offensive zone

## Forward Entry sequences involved:

- Heel skating across blueline navigate
- Net drive forehand / backhand
- Progress to 2 on 1 against coach

## 2) Defence – Shooting Sequence

- -Place 2 or 3 piles of pucks inside blue line (Shoot 3 5 pucks for each skill)
  - Stationary quick release pulls (drag)
  - Stationary quick release pushes
  - 3. Pull to inside, push back to outside for shot
  - 4. Push to outside, stop bhd drag back to inside shot



Key Teaching Points		Key Evaluation Points	Key Evaluation Points	
Forwards	Defence	Forwards	Defence	
-Use crossovers to turn quickly	-Eyes, up, look at target	<ul> <li>Accelerate out of turn in NZ</li> </ul>	-Ability to move laterally - Push or Pull	
<ul> <li>-Pick up the puck in stride to quickly enter</li> </ul>	-No Dust, Quick release	-Eyes up, loading puck	-Ability to shoot with eyes / head up	
the offensive zone – Eyes up		<ul> <li>Spatial awareness, (gap on coach)</li> </ul>	-Ability to find open lane	
-Sell the fake on the obstacle or coach with		<ul> <li>Evasiveness and separation to</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>-Look for overhandling the puck.</li> </ul>	
the head and shoulders		create shot lane	-Clean / efficient handling of puck	



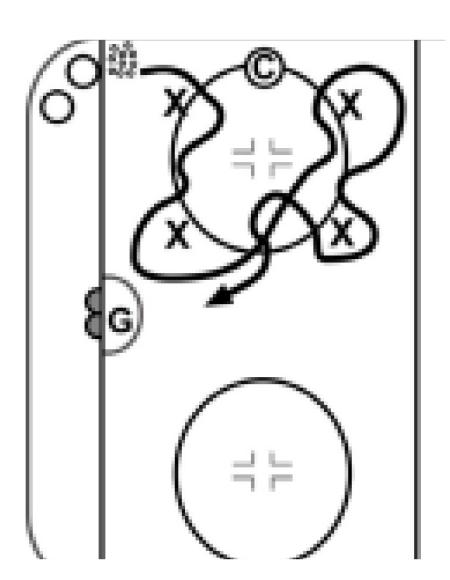
## Forward & Defense skill split - Drill 2 - 8 to 10minutes Resource: Hockey Canada Skill Evaluation

## 1) Forwards – 4 Pylon Agility

-Place 4 pylons on the circle (use both end zones to maximize player activity)

- Player starts by going around the pylons in a random fashion.
- Two players one puck give and go passing
- One puck carrier, one chaser trying to steal puck
- Progress to no pylons / keep away

 -Alternate sides - finish with shot on net (can use two nets on goal line if more than 2 goalies in the group and do drill from both sides)



## Defence – Loose Puck Retrieval and Evasive Moves Retrieval Sequences:

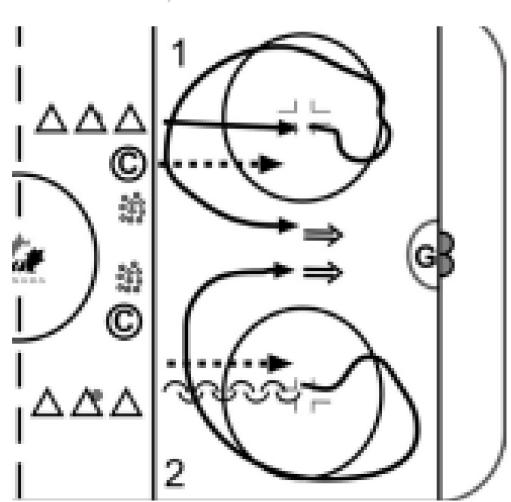
Defense uses shoulder checks and deception on way to retrieve puck, outlet pass to Defence along blue line who walks blue line for shot. Alternate sides

- Forward skate retrieval
- Forward skate retrieval add chaser.

## Evasive Sequences:

Defence drags puck back with eyes up scanning for the next correct play

- Backwards Drag and escape to BHD / FHD
- Backwards Drag and ½ turn escape to BHD / FHD
- Backwards Escape turn of choice add chaser





**GROUP ACTIVITY - SAG Angling Drill - 10 to 12 minutes** 

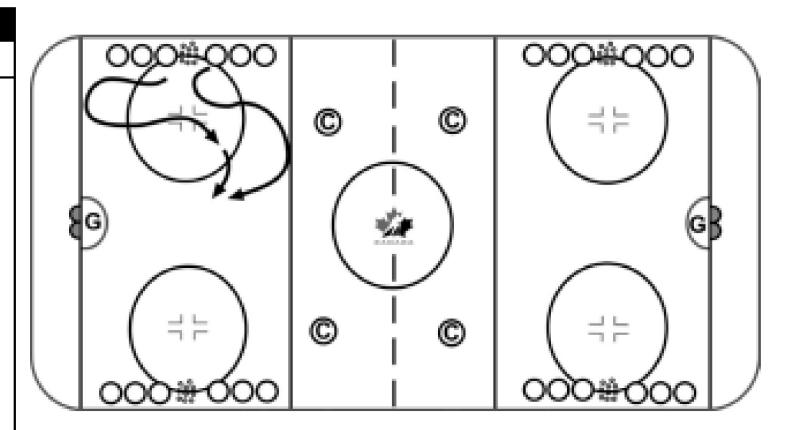
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8 mins - SAG - Angling

## 1 Up / 1 Down

- -Gap and angling drill Can split into 4 groups using each corner of ice. Alternate sides
- -Coach starts play with "Go"
- -Defensive player must touch goal line
- -Forward must touch blue line.
- Defensive player tries to clear puck or skate it past ringette line if they steal it.
- -Forward tries to score 1 shot / 1 rebound allowed



# -Offensive players attack the net and defensive players compete to strip the puck. Forwards -Look before turning to attack -Evasiveness, creativity -Attack vulnerability -Protect puck, get it to net Cep up -Use stick to steer then stick on puck

**Encourage both D & F to alternate carrying puck vs. angling** 



# **GROUP ACTIVITY - TURBO Finisher - remaining time allotted Resource: T.W Coach Development**

#### ▲ Description

- \*\* Dotted Lines are boundaries nets are put on ringette lines.
- Game is player 3v3 or 4v4 in middle of ice.
- IF the puck goes out of bounds or in the net on team X side 3 new X's jump in with a puck forcing O's to transition to defense/backcheck.
- PLay will continue while puck is in the middle of the ice.
- Teams always change when puck goes out of their end.
- -Fast pace with lots of player movement & action.

#### ▲ Key Points

Players should recognize a turnover and jump back to d side of puck. Backchecking/picking up a man is important.

#### For Evaluators:

- Watch players with and without the puck
- Do players without the puck move into space to get open, are they passing and moving towards the net.
- Once on D side are players finding a "man" on the back check, coming back to defend or standing still.

