Hockey Practice Plan

Objectives: To learn, practice and reinforce team play

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Practice #21				
Level:	14-and-Under (Bantam)			
	16-and-Under (Midget)			
	18-and-Under (Midget)			

Skill Work	Team Play	Systems/Concepts	Speed/Games Testing
Skating	1 on 1	<u>X</u> Defensive Cov.	Short Work - Quickness
Puck Control	2 on 0	Backcheck	Small Ice Modified Games
Passing/Receiving	2 on 1	Forecheck	Full Ice Modified Games
X Shooting	2 on 2	Breakouts	FUN - Relay Contests
Checking	3 on 1	Entering Attack Zone	Skills Testing
Agility Work	3 on 2	Triangulation/Cycling	Misc.
Goaltending	3 on 3	<u>X</u> Faceoffs	
Def./Forwards		Power Play / Penalty Kill	

Time	Drill	Emphasis
6 mins.	1. Warm-Up: stretches; double shot drill	Nice and easy
7 mins.	2. Forecheck	One man high
7 mins.	3. Breakout with regroup	Move to spaces
7 mins.	4. Backchecking drill; Read, play and communicate	
7 mins.	5. Defensive Coverage - new situation	Puck moves across ice
7 mins.	6. Faceoffs	Review situations, competition
8 mins.	7. 4 on 4, 5 on 5 controlled scrimmage	Evaluate situations

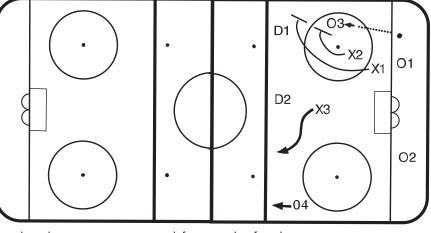
Drill #1 — Warm-Up: Stretches, Double Shot Drill

- •X1 starts with 2 pucks.
- X1 passes to X2 along blue line, X2 takes long shot.
- After shot, X2 breaks around cone and receives second pass from X1.
- X2 shoots off pass.
- Next player in half line then starts by passing to X1.

Notes/Comments: Long shot, shoot off pass

Drill #2 — Forecheck

- Start with four players trying to break out and five players forechecking.
- Coach dumps puck in. Os try to break out. Forecheckers must execute 2-man forecheck and hold the puck in zone.



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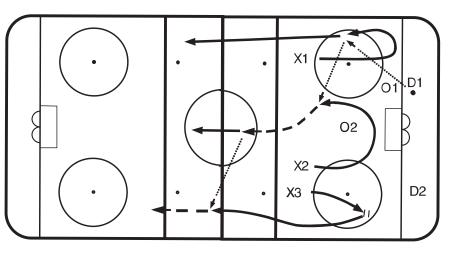
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Notes/Comments: Stress putting pressure on puck and support teammate on defensive side of puck.

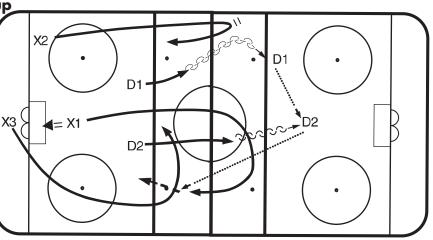
Drill #3 — Breakout With Regroup

- Dump puck in corner for five players to breakout.
- Two forecheckers from next line (O1, O2) try to break up play and only backcheck to blue line.
- Five players continue 5 on O and score goal.
- Forwards must swing deep.
- Defense must look where forecheckers are before getting to puck and making pass.



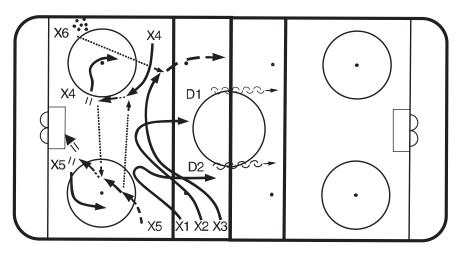
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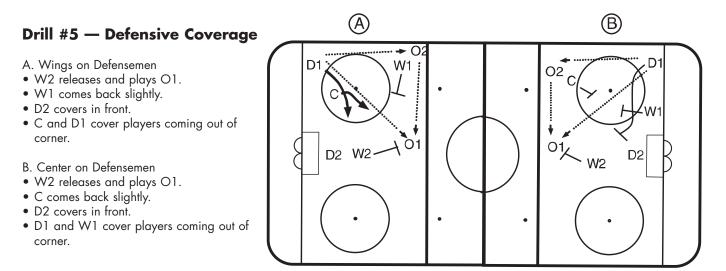
- After five players score goal or take several shots, coach blows whistle for regroup.
- Coach throws puck into neutral ice.
- D must skate backwards making a D to D pass while forwards come back and make swings.
- Forwards must read play and fill open lanes.
- Defense must look before getting to puck and make pass.



Drill #4 — Backchecking

- Coach designates three players to start in zone (X4, X5, X6).
- X4 and X5 start by going 2 on 0 on goalie. X6 starts in corner with puck.
- While X4 and X5 are 2 on 0, X1, X2 and X3 swing into zone.
- After X4 and X5 take shot, coach blows whistle and X6 gives X1, X2, X3 a pass.
- X4 and X5 backcheck while X1, X2, X3 go down ice on D1 and D2.

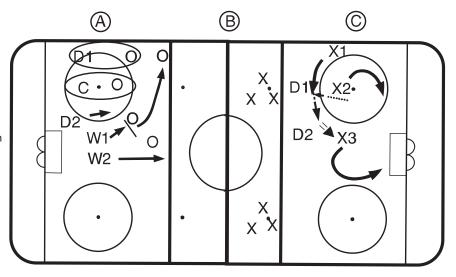




Notes/Comments: Defensive Coverage - puck moves across ice either diagonally or up and over to O1

Drill #6 — Faceoffs

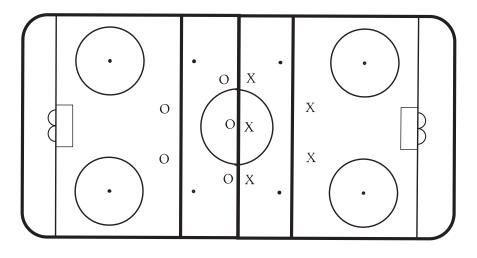
- A. Do drill 5 on 5 off faceoff. Let Os win faceoff. Do various situations (three across, one shooter).
- B. Have players work on taking faceoffs or can work on neutral ice team faceoffs.
- C. Work on offensive faceoffs against players with sticks turned around.

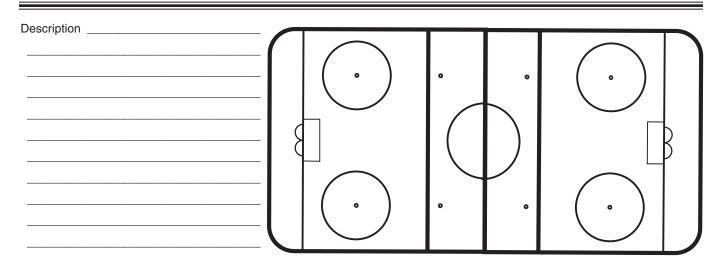


Notes/Comments: Review faceoffs in practice plan 12.

Drill #7 — 4 on 4, 5 on 5 Controlled Scrimmage

• Have players work on certain plays and teach when mistake is made.





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