# 3. Static Balance & Postural Control - Single and double leg Standing

Static balance is the ability to maintain control and stability when in a static (no movement) position. Developing static balance will allow the athlete to hold the correct sports position when required and help develop the body so as to move with greater stability. It is assumed that all challenges are completed on both legs. Athletes should always maintain a good core positioning.

### Stage 1 Red Challenges

- 3a) Stand still with one foot on the floor for 5 seconds without losing balance.
- 3b) Stand still with one foot on the floor for 10 seconds without losing balance.
- 3c) Stand still with one foot on the floor for 20 seconds without losing balance.
- 3d). Double leg squat with arms out in front for balance. Angle of the knee is no more than 135°.





Double leg squat with arms out in front for balance 16 x 4 secs

hands by side & tall - 5, 10, 20 secs

## Stage 2 Yellow Challenges

- 3a) Stand still with one foot on the floor for 30 seconds without losing balance.
- 3b) Stand on one foot and do 5 mini-squats, so the angle is no more than 135° at the knee.
- 3c) Stand on one foot and do a 10 mini-squats, so the angle is no more than 135° at the knee.
- 3d) Double leg squat with arms out in front for balance. Angle of the knee should be 90°.



30 secs Stand still with

one foot on the floor for 30 seconds



Stand on one foot and do 5 then 10 mini-

squats



■ DEEPER SQUATS 0 Double leg squat with arms out

in front for balance

### Stage 3 Green Challenges

- 3a) Stand still with one foot on the floor and eyes closed for 10 seconds, without losing balance.
- 3b) Stand on **one foot and do 5 mini-squats**, so the angle is no more than 90° at the knee.
- 3c) On an uneven surface, stand still on one foot for 10 seconds without losing balance.
- 3d) **Double leg deep squat** with arms out in front for balance.

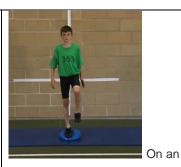


Stand still with one foot on the floor and

eyes closed for 10 seconds



Stand on one foot and do 5 mini-squats



uneven surface, stand still on one foot for 10 seconds



**Double leg deep squat** with arms out in front for balance. Bottom below hips!

# **Stage 4 Purple Challenges**

- 3a) Stand on one foot and do 10 ankle extensions, lifting the heel off the floor and slowly putting it down.
- 3b) Stand on one foot and do 5 squats (90°) into ankle extensions.
- 3c) Stand on one foot and do 5 squats (90°) with eyes closed without losing balance.
- 3d) Stand still on uneven surface for 20 then 30 secs.



ONE FOOT UP TOES - 10

ankle extensions, lifting the heel off the floor and slowly putting it down



do 5 squats (90°) into ankle extensions



foot and do 5 squats (90°) with eyes closed

Stand still on uneven surface - for 20 then 30 secs

### . Stage 5 Blue Challenges

- 3a) Stand on one foot and complete 10 ankle extensions, with eyes closed, without losing balance. (Footage Coming Soon)
- 3b) Stand still on one foot, on an uneven surface, for 10 seconds with eyes closed without losing balance.
- 3c) On an uneven surface, stand on one foot and do 5 squats without losing balance.
- 3d) Double leg squat with hands behind head. Angle of the knee should be 90°.

# one foot and complete 10 ankle extensions

stand on one foot and do 5 squats without losing balance.

Double leg squat with hands behind head



## Stage 6 Black Challenges

- 3a) Stand on one foot and complete 10 squats into ankle extensions, with eyes closed, without losing balance.
- 3b) Stand on one foot and complete 10 ankle extensions on an uneven surface.
- 3c) On an uneven surface, stand on one foot and complete 10 squats into ankle extensions.
- 3d) Double leg deep squat with hands behind head.

one foot and complete 10 squats into ankle extensions, with eyes closed



stand on one foot and complete **10 squats into ankle extensions**.



Double leg deep squat with hands behind

head.