## Performance Training in Football Refereeing

 Weekly Training Plan
## WEEK 7 from Monday $8^{\text {th }}$ to Sunday $14^{\text {th }}$ of February

## Macrocycle VII, week 1 (Training week 37)

| $\frac{\text { Mon. } 8^{\text {th. }}:}{\text { Tr. } 139}$ | * Act. Rec. | - 50' recovery session in a fitness centre. |
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| $\frac{\text { Tue. } 9^{\text {th. }}}{\text { Tr. } 140}$ | * Low Int. | $-5^{\prime}$ jogging slowly building up to $70 \% \mathrm{HR}_{\max }( \pm 1 \mathrm{~km})$. |
|  | * Warm up | -20' jogging, mobilisation and dynamic stretching. |
|  | * Strength | -15 ' strength, core stability \& injury prevention exercises. (abdominals, back muscles, sideways, arms, legs, see Library TSL for 2 sets of 30 " -30 " exercises). |
|  | * Speed End. | - Run for 10 m at $90 \%$ max speed, walk to the end ( 40 m ) <br> - Turn and run 20 m at $90 \%$ SPmax, walk to the end ( 30 m ) <br> - Turn and run 30 m at $90 \%$ SPmax, walk to the end ( 20 m ) <br> - Turn and run 40 m at $90 \%$ SPmax, walk to the end $(10 \mathrm{~m})$ <br> - Turn and run 50 m at $90 \%$ SPmax, turn and run another 50 m ( 100 m ) <br> - Your heart rate should peak at $>90 \% \mathrm{HR}_{\text {max }}$ at the end of each rep <br> - Rest for 90 " then repeat 5 x . Total time is $15^{\prime}$. <br> - 4' passive recovery (until bpm < $65 \% \mathrm{HR}_{\text {max }}$ ) |
|  | $\Delta^{10 \mathrm{~m}}$ | $\Delta \Delta$ |

- The total duration of this session is $\pm 15^{\prime}$.
* High Int. - Set 1: Run from goal line to midline at high intensity in 10". Then, jog to the opposite goal line in $20^{\prime \prime}$. Continue from goal line to the opposite goal line in $20^{\prime \prime}$. Recovery time of $20^{\prime \prime}, 25^{\prime \prime}, 30^{\prime \prime}$ recovery according to level. 10 reps.
- 2-4 min according to level.
- Set 2: Again 10 reps.

* Cool down -5 ' jogging and walking, followed by 10 ' static stretching.

Total duration: ${ }^{\prime}$

Wed. $10^{\text {th }}$ :
$\begin{aligned} \frac{\text { Thu. } 11^{\text {th }}:}{\text { Tr. } 141} & \text { * Low Int. } \\ & \text { * Warm up } \\ & \text { * Strength }\end{aligned}$

* High Int.


## REST DAY

$-5^{\prime}$ jogging slowly building up to $70 \% \mathrm{HR}_{\max }( \pm 1 \mathrm{~km})$.

- 20' jogging, mobilisation and dynamic stretching.
- 15' strength, core stability \& injury prevention exercises. (abdominals, back muscles, sideways, arms, legs, see Library TSL for 2 sets of 30 " $-30^{\prime \prime}$ exercises).
- Set 1: Referees perform 5 laps
- Run at the appropriate intensity around the pitch perimeter.
- However, on lap 1 run around cone 1, and so on up to cone 5 on lap 5 , thus increasing the run distance with each subsequent lap.
- The target zone should be $90 \% \mathrm{HR}_{\text {max }}$.

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- 2' recovery
- Set 2:
- However, on lap 1 start with cone 5, and on LAP 5 finish with cone 1 , thus decreasing the run distance with each subsequent lap.
- This exercise takes $\pm 22^{\prime}$ ( 10 ' Set $1+2^{\prime}$ recovery $+10^{\prime}$ Set 2 ).
* Match -10' match play
* Cool down
-5 ' jogging and walking, followed by 10 ' static stretching.
Total duration: 87'

Fri. $12^{\text {th }}:$
Sat. $13^{\text {th }}: ~ * W a r m ~ u p ~$
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* Speed

REST DAY

- 20' jogging, mobilisation and dynamic stretching.
- 5 maximal sprints in the order illustrated below.
- Walk back to the start after each individual sprint.
- Once the 5 sprints ( 140 m total sprinting distance) have been completed take a 5' stretching break.

- Then perform a second set of sprints for a session total of 10 sprints. Start the sprints this time sideways right, and turn on the opposite shoulder to the first set when turning from backwards jogging to sprinting.
- The total exercise time is $15^{\prime}$.
* Cool down -5 ' jogging and walking, followed by 10 ' static stretching.

Total duration: 50
Sun. 14 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ : If you don't have a match appointment for the domestic league, use your free time for additional recovery, or to work on any fitness weaknesses you might have (e.g., aerobic endurance, strength, injury prevention,...).

Alternatively, you may also consider other intermittent activities such as playing badminton, football, squash, tennis, or alpine/cross-country skiing to benefit from complementary mental and physical stimulation.

WEEK 8 from Monday $15^{\text {th }}$ to Sunday $21^{\text {st }}$ of February Macrocycle VII, week 2 (Training week 38)


- All together, this exercise takes 7'30"+ 2' recovery + 7'30"+ 2' recovery $+7^{\prime} 30^{\prime \prime}=26^{\prime} 30^{\prime \prime}$ and covers 3225 m of HI running.
- For ARs, there is a variation for this SDS HI run:
- Set 1:
- Run at High Speed from goal line to penalty arc and back in 10" max (18 km/h), 5" recovery
- Run at High Speed from goal line to penalty arc and back and then to the midline in 20 " max, 10 " rec.
- Run at High Speed from midline to small penalty area in 7" max (18 km/h)
- 55" recovery to walk to the starting position
- Repeat x 5 (825m)
- 2' recovery
- Set 2: same sequence
- All together, this exercise takes $9^{\prime \prime} 10^{\prime \prime}+2^{\prime}$ recovery $+9^{\prime \prime} 10= \pm 20^{\prime}$ and covers 1650 m of HI running.

* Cool down $\quad-5$ ' jogging and walking, followed by 10' static stretching.

Total duration: 882'
Wed. $17^{\text {th }}:$

| $\frac{\text { Thu. } 18^{\text {th. }}:}{\text { Tr. } 145}$ | * Low Int. | -5 ' jogging slowly building up to $70 \% \mathrm{HR}_{\max }( \pm 1 \mathrm{~km})$. |
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|  | *Warm up | -20 ' jogging, mobilisation and dynamic stretching. |

[^0]- 4' recovery
- Set 2: Again 2 laps of 7 sprints.

- The exercise takes $\pm 31^{\prime}$ (13' Set $1+4^{\prime}$ recovery $+13 \prime$ Set 2 ).
* Cool down -5 ' jogging and walking, followed by 10' static stretching.

Total duration: 86'

Fri. $19^{\text {th }}$ :
$\begin{array}{rll}\frac{\text { Sat. } 20^{\text {th }} \text { : }}{\text { Tr. } 146} & \text { * Warm up } & -20^{\prime} \text { jogging, mobilisation and dynamic stretching. } \\ & \text { *Speed } & - \text { Set 1: }\end{array}$

## REST DAY

- (1) Sprint for 10 m , then walk for 30 m . (2) Sprint for 20 m , then walk for 20 m . (3) Sprint for 30 m , then walk for 10 m . (4) Sprint for 40 m .
- 3' recovery

* Speed
- Set 2 :
- Now start first with 40 m and then work down to 10 m .
- 3' recovery
* Speed - Set 3: Repeat set 1
* Cool down $\quad-5$ ' jogging and walking, followed by 10 ' static stretching.

Total duration: 50'
Sun. 21 ${ }^{\text {st. }}$ If you don't have a match appointment for the domestic league, use your free time for additional recovery, or to work on any fitness weaknesses you might have (e.g., aerobic endurance, strength, injury prevention,...).

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WEEK 9 from Monday $22^{\text {nd }}$ to Sunday 28 $^{\text {th }}$ of of February Macrocycle VII, week 3 (Training week 39)

| $\frac{\text { Mon. } 22^{\text {nd }}:}{\text { Tr. } 147}$ | * Act. Rec. | -50' recovery session in a fitness centre. |
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| $\frac{\text { Tue. } 23^{\text {rd. }}}{\text { Tr. } 148}$ | * Low Int. | - $5^{\prime}$ jogging slowly building up to $70 \% \mathrm{HR}_{\text {max }}( \pm 1 \mathrm{~km}$ ). |
|  | * Warm up | - 20' jogging, mobilisation and dynamic stretching. |
|  | * Strength | - 15' strength, core stability \& injury prevention exercises. (abdominals, back muscles, sideways, arms, legs, see Library TSL for 2 sets of $30 "-30$ " exercises) |
|  | * Speed/Agility | - Set 1: (1) Sprint for 10 m , then walk for 30m. (2) Sprint for 20 m , then walk for 20 m . (3) Sprint for 30 m , then walk for 10 m . (4) Sprint for 40 m . |
|  |  | - 2 min recovery |
|  |  | - Set 2: Now start first with 40 m and then work down to 10 m . |
|  |  | - 2 min recovery |

-Set 3: Now Repeat set 1


* High Int. - Set 1: Field exercise, 10 to 12 x
- From the start, run at high intensity to the other side of the field, turn around the cone and return at high intensity ( 150 m in total in 30 sec ) as indicated in the picture, afterwards walk back to the start ( 50 m in 35 sec ) and repeat this 10 laps. The fitness level determines around which cone the referees may turn
-4' recovery
- Set 2: Same as set 1, however, run in the opposite direction.
- All together, this HI exercise takes 19 ' 40 ", including 2' rec.

* Concentration: - When the referee arrives in the penalty area after his 150 m run, the coach moves along the edge of the penalty area with a ball in his hands. When he bounces the ball on the ground, the referee has to decide if it is a foul for the attacking team inside (> penalty) or outside (> free kick) the penalty area. If the referee's decision is correct > thumbs up, if not > 5 push-ups.
* Cool down $\quad-5$ ' jogging and walking, followed by 10 ' static stretching.

Total duration: ${ }^{\prime} 0^{\prime}$
Wed. $24^{\text {th }}$ :
REST DAY
$\begin{aligned} \frac{\text { Thu. 25. }}{\text { Tr. } 149} & \text { * Low Int. } \\ & \text { * Warm up } \\ & \text { * Strength }\end{aligned}$

* Speed End. - Field exercise, 8 laps in total from the start as follows:
- Sideways-R ( $\pm 15 \mathrm{~m}$ )
- Jog to next cone ( $\pm 40 \mathrm{~m}$ )
- Backwards jogging to the next cone ( $\pm 15 \mathrm{~m}$ )
- High speed run around the top cone and to the next cone ( $\pm 100 \mathrm{~m}$ )
- The running speed should be minimum $95 \% \mathrm{SP}_{\text {max }}$.
- Running backwards to the next cone ( $\pm 15 \mathrm{~m}$ )
- Jogging at medium intensity to the next cone ( $\pm 40 \mathrm{~m}$ )
- Sideways-L ( $\pm 15 \mathrm{~m}$ )
- Walk back to start ( $\pm 60 \mathrm{~m}$ )
- One full lap, arriving back at the start takes $\pm 90^{\prime \prime}$.
- Therefore restart every 90 ".
- Set 1 ( 8 laps) takes $\pm 12^{\prime}$ to complete.
-4' recovery
Set 2: Field exercise, again 6 laps of 2' each.
- All together, this speed endurance exercise takes $\pm 28$ '
( 12 ' Set $1+4$ ' recovery +12 'Set 2 )

* SE for ARs - While the referees perform their 2 sets of the HI exercise, the next SE exercise can be considered for the assistant referees.


Total duration: 93
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| Sat. $27^{\text {th. }}$ | * Warm up | -20' jogging, mobilisation and dynamic stretching. |
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|  | * Speed | - Short sprints from a dynamic start: <br> $-2 \times 5 \mathrm{~m}, 2 \times 10 \mathrm{~m}, 2 \times 15 \mathrm{~m}, 2 \times 20 \mathrm{~m}$ and $2 \times 25 \mathrm{~m}$ <br> (with a change in direction to the left) |
|  |  | - 5' recovery |

- The second set of the 10 sprints is done in reversed order, i.e. $2 \times 25 \mathrm{~m}$ (with a change in direction to the right), $2 \times 20 \mathrm{~m}, 2 \times 15$ $\mathrm{m}, 2 \times 10 \mathrm{~m}$ and $2 \times 5 \mathrm{~m}$

- The total exercise time is 15
* Cool down -5 ' jogging and walking, followed by 10 ' static stretching.

Sun. 28 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ : If you don't have a match appointment for the domestic league, use your free time for additional recovery, or to work on any fitness weaknesses you might have (e.g., aerobic endurance, strength, injury prevention,...).

Alternatively, you may also consider other intermittent activities such as playing badminton, football, squash, tennis, or alpine/cross-country skiing to benefit from complementary mental and physical stimulation.

WEEK 10 from Monday $1^{\text {st }}$ to Sunday $7^{\text {th }}$ of March Macrocycle VII, week 4 (Training week 40)

Mon. $1^{\text {st. }}$ * Act. Rec. $\quad-50$ ' recovery session in a fitness centre.
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Tue. 2 ${ }^{\text {nd. }}$ * Low Int. $\quad-5$ ' jogging slowly building up to $70 \% \mathrm{HR}_{\max }( \pm 1 \mathrm{~km})$.
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*Warm up $\quad-20$ ' jogging, mobilisation and dynamic stretching.

* Strength $\quad-15$ ' strength, core stability \& injury prevention exercises. (abdominals, back muscles, sideways, arms, legs, see Library TSL for 2 sets of $30 "-30$ " exercises)
* High Int. - Set 1: 1) Run from goal line to midline at high speed in 10". 2) jog to the opposite goal line in 20 ". 3) Run from goal line to goal line at high speed in 20". 4) 10" recovery. 5) Run from goal line to the opposite penalty arc in $15^{\prime \prime}$. 6) jog to the goal line in $25^{\prime \prime}$. 7) Run from goal line to goal line at high speed in $20^{\prime \prime}$. 8) $10^{\prime \prime}$ recovery. 9) Run from goal line to goal line at high speed in $20^{\prime \prime}$. 10) $1^{\prime}$ recovery.
- 1' recovery
- Set 2-3-4: same procedure

* Cool down -5 ' jogging and walking, followed by 10 ' static stretching.

Total duration: 81'
Wed. $3^{\text {rd }}$ :
REST DAY
Thu. $4^{\text {th. }} \quad$ * Low Int. $\quad-5^{\prime}$ jogging slowly building up to $70 \% \mathrm{HR}_{\max }( \pm 1 \mathrm{~km})$.
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*Warm up $\quad-20$ ' jogging, mobilisation and dynamic stretching.

* Strength $\quad-15$ ' strength, core stability \& injury prevention exercises.
(abdominals, back muscles, sideways, arms, legs, see Library TSL for 2 sets of $30^{\prime \prime}-30^{\prime \prime}$ exercises).
* Speed End. - Set 1:
- 4 laps of $\pm 3^{\prime}$ each.
-4' recovery

- Set 2 :
- 5 laps of $\pm 2$ ' $30^{\prime \prime}$ each.
- This exercise takes $\pm 29^{\prime}\left(12^{\prime} 30^{\prime \prime}\right.$ Set $1+4^{\prime}$ rec. $+12^{\prime} 30^{\prime \prime}$ Set 2 ).
* Match - 10' match play.
* Cool down $\quad-5$ ' jogging and walking, followed by 10 ' static stretching.

Total duration: 93

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\text { Fri. } 5^{\text {th }}: \quad \text { REST DAY }
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- Set 2:
- Perform another 5 laps of the penalty area exercise.
- The total exercise time is $15^{\prime}$.
* Cool down -5 ' jogging and walking, followed by 10 ' static stretching.

Total duration: 50'
Sun. $7^{\text {th }}$ : If you don't have a match appointment for the domestic league, use your free time for additional recovery, or to work on any fitness weaknesses you might have (e.g., aerobic endurance, strength, injury prevention,...).

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WEEK 11 from Monday $9^{\text {th }}$ to Sunday $15^{\text {th }}$ of March

## Macrocycle VII, week 5 (Training week 41)

| $\frac{\text { Mon. } 8^{\text {th. }}}{\text { Tr. } 155}$ | * Act. Rec. | - 50' recovery session in a fitness centre. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\text { Tue. } 9^{\text {th }}$ | * Low Int. | -5' jogging slowly building up to $70 \% \mathrm{HR}_{\max }( \pm 1 \mathrm{~km}$ ). |
| Tr. 156 | * Warm up | - 20' jogging, mobilisation and dynamic stretching. |
|  | * Strength | - 15' strength, core stability \& injury prevention exercises. (abdominals, back muscles, sideways, arms, legs, see Library TSL for 2 sets of 30"-30" exercises). |
|  | * High Int. | - Referee circuit training: 4 HI exercises of 6 min each 1:1 recovery <br> - 2 min recovery between each of the 4 sets <br> - The swerv ( $6 \times 30$ "-30") <br> - The diagonal ( $4 \times 40$ " -40 ") <br> - Across the halfway line ( $10 \times 15$ "-15") <br> - The suicide ( $3 \times 60$ "-60") |



- All together this exercise takes 4 times 6 min with 2 min rec $\pm 30^{\prime}$.
* Cool down -5' jogging and walking, followed by 10' static stretching.


## Wed. $10^{\text {th. }}$

Thu. $11^{\text {th. }}$ * Low Int. $\quad-5$ ' jogging slowly building up to $70 \% \mathrm{HR}_{\max }( \pm 1 \mathrm{~km})$.
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* Warm up $\quad-20^{\prime}$ jogging, mobilisation and dynamic stretching.

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* Strength $\quad-15$ ' strength, core stability \& injury prevention exercises. (abdominals, back muscles, sideways, arms, legs, see Library TSL for 2 sets of 30 "-30" exercises).
* Rep. Spr. Ab. - Referees are organized in 4 stations
- They repeat 3 reps of 40 m and have 1 ' recovery between stations
- Between Set 1 and Set 2, there is $3-4$ ' recovery
- The RSA distance $=(3 \times 40 \mathrm{~m}) \times 4$ stations $=480 \mathrm{~m}) \times 2$ sets $=960 \mathrm{~m}$
- All together, these 2 RSA sets take $\pm 26$ '
(14' Set $1+3$ ' recovery +14 ' Set 2)

* Rep. Spr. Ab. - Assistant Referees are organized in 4 stations
- They repeat 3 reps of 40 m and have 1' recovery between stations
- Between Set 1 and Set 2, there is 3-4' recovery
- The RSA distance $=(3 \times 40 \mathrm{~m}) \times 4$ stations $=480 \mathrm{~m}) \times 2$ sets $=960 \mathrm{~m}$
- All together, these 2 RSA sets take $\pm 26^{\prime}$
( $14^{\prime}$ Set $1+3$ ' recovery $+14^{\prime}$ Set 2 )

* Match - 10' match play.
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* Cool down -5 ' jogging and walking, followed by 10 ' static stretching.

Total duration: $9{ }^{\prime}$

## Fri. $12^{\text {th }}:$ <br> REST DAY

Sat. $13^{\text {th. }}$ * Warm up
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* Speed
- 20' jogging, mobilisation and dynamic stretching.
- Variations on the centre circle sprint:
- Set 1: 4 laps in total (8 accelerations).
- 3' recovery
- Set 2: 4 laps in total (8 accelerations).

- The total exercise time is $15^{\prime}$.
* Cool down $-5^{\prime}$ jogging and walking, followed by 10 ' static stretching.

Total duration: 51
Sun. 14 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ : If you don't have a match appointment for the domestic league, use your free time for additional recovery, or to work on any fitness weaknesses you might have (e.g., aerobic endurance, strength, injury prevention,...).

Alternatively, you may also consider other intermittent activities such as playing badminton, football, squash, tennis, or alpine/cross-country skiing to benefit from complementary mental and physical stimulation.

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WEEK 12 from Monday $15^{\text {th }}$ to Sunday $21^{\text {st }}$ of March Macrocycle VII, week 6 (Training week 42)

| $\frac{\text { Mon. } 15^{\mathrm{th}}:}{\text { Tr. } 159}$ | * Act. Rec. | - 50' recovery session in a fitness centre. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\frac{\text { Tue. } 16^{\text {th. }}:}{\text { Tr. } 160}$ | * Low Int. | $-5^{\prime}$ jogging slowly building up to $70 \% \mathrm{HR}_{\text {max }}( \pm 1 \mathrm{~km}$ ). |
|  | * Warm up | - 20' jogging, mobilisation and dynamic stretching. |
|  | * Strength | - 15' strength, core stability \& injury prevention exercises. (abdominals, back muscles, sideways, arms, legs, see Library TSL for 2 sets of $30 "-30$ " exercises). |
|  | * Speed End. | - 'Suicide run': <br> - Sprint from the goal line to goal area line and back. <br> - Then immediately sprint from the goal line to the edge of the penalty area and back. <br> - Finally, sprint to the halfway line and back. <br> - 1 ' rest. <br> - Repeat 6 x. <br> - For each run, the reference time is $<25^{\prime \prime}$ (very good), < 30 " (good). |
|  |  | In case of group sessions, it is possible to use 2 starting positions as mentioned below. |
|  |  | -3' recovery. |


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* Speed End. - Just 1 Set of 5 laps: 'Referee run': 10’

- 3' recovery
- All together, this training session takes $9^{\prime}+3^{\prime}$ recovery $+10^{\prime}+3$ ' recovery $=25^{\prime}$.
* Cool down $\quad-5$ ' jogging and walking, followed by 10' static stretching.

Total duration: 87

Wed. $17^{\text {th }}$ :
$\begin{aligned} \frac{\text { Thu. } 18^{\text {th. }} .}{\text { Tr. } 161} & \text { * Low Int. } \\ & \text { * Warm up } \\ & \text { * Strength }\end{aligned}$

* Speed End.


## REST DAY

$-5^{\prime}$ jogging slowly building up to $70 \% \mathrm{HR}_{\max }( \pm 1 \mathrm{~km})$.

- 20' jogging, mobilisation and dynamic stretching.
- 15' strength, core stability \& injury prevention exercises.
(abdominals, back muscles, sideways, arms, legs, see Library TSL for 2 sets of 30 "- 30 " exercises).
- Set 1:
- Field exercise, 5 laps of $\pm 2$ ' each performing the different activities at the appropriate intensities. Where indicated, the running speed should be minimum $95 \% S P_{\text {max }}$.
- 4' recovery
- Set 2:
- Field exercise, 5 laps of $\pm 2$ ' each.

- All together this exercise takes 24 '
(10' Set $1+4$ ' recovery $+10^{\prime}$ Set 2 )
* Match - 10' match play.
* Cool down -5 ' jogging and walking, followed by 10 ' static stretching.

Total duration: 89'
Fri. $19^{\text {th }}:$
REST DAY
Sat. $20^{\text {th }}:$
Tr. 162 * Warm up $\quad-20^{\prime}$ jogging, mobilisation and dynamic stretching.


- Sprints should ideally start from a dynamic start position (walking, jogging, sideways or backwards...).
-5 ' recovery, followed by a $2^{\text {nd }}$ Set of 7 sprints.
- The total exercise time is $15^{\prime}$
* Cool down -5 ' jogging and walking, followed by 10 ' static stretching.

Total duration: 50
Sun. 21 ${ }^{\text {st. }}$. If you don't have a match appointment for the domestic league, use your free time for additional recovery, or to work on any fitness weaknesses you might have (e.g., aerobic endurance, strength, injury prevention,...).

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