



FC Boulder Off-Season Strength and Conditioning Program Summer 2014

14-18 year olds ONLY

Overview

1. It takes a year round periodized program specific to an individual in order to truly be beneficial to long term success. However, it is possible maintain and/or make improvements in stamina, quickness, etc. using the below guide over the next 4-8 weeks.
2. **From the end of Rocky Mountain Cup, it is important to recover rest and just be a kid. Sleep in, play in the park, and go swimming. Too much, all the time can actually hurt you, decrease performance and minimize enjoyment.**
3. **This program is designed to begin June 30, 2014.**
4. We have built in a body only strengthening program since not all members have direct access to a professional health club.
5. It would be prudent for all competitive athletes to learn, participate and engage in year round strengthening programs. Contact a local professional for advice.
6. **Play soccer, futsal, small sided games, indoor, etc. whenever you can.** There is no substitute for actually playing the game **at an intensity replicated in the game.** Focus on quality touches and control.
7. Keep a daily log to track progress (page 9).
8. Encourage your friends to do it with you- keep it FUN!
9. In order to meet the needs of our entire membership, this program provides a solid foundation to build your own program with the help of a trained professional. This program is intended to be a guide only and is not the definitive resource for soccer fitness.
10. Videos of exercises will be posted at FC Boulder's You Tube site: FCBoulder

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Dynamic Warm-Up

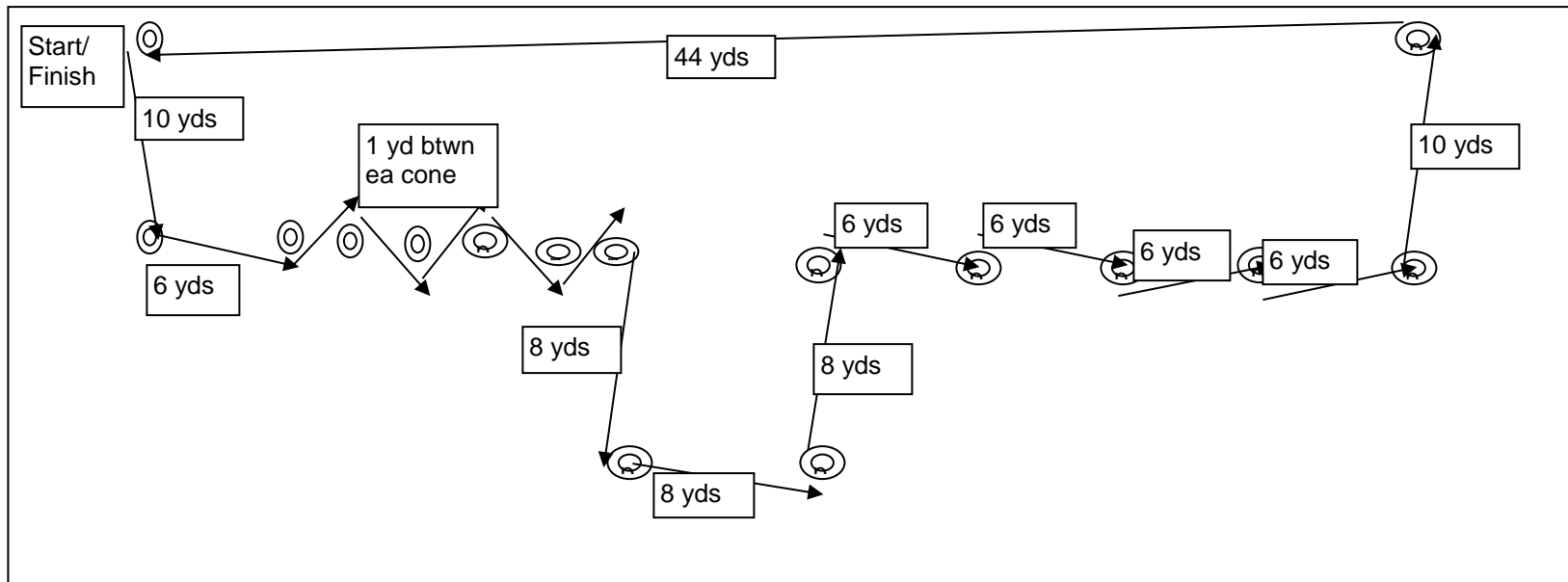
Performed over 15 yards, 10-15 minutes in length, BEFORE EACH ACTIVITY- so ideally 3-5x a week

Perform in order, down then over	
Shoulder Reaches x 5 each side	Skaters (Opposite Arm to foot, bend from hips) or ankle swipes x 5 each side
Arm circles, neck rolls x 5	Single toe raises (opposite knee up, arms at side) x 10 each leg
Good mornings x 5	Russian hamstrings 30 sec
Jog frontwards	Scorpions on back, shoulders on ground x 5 each side
Jog backwards	Squat matrix:
Side Shuttle- good athletic stance, both directions	Open feet (right foot lead) x 3
Skips- A, B	Open feet (left foot lead) x 3
Butt Kickers w/ knee in front	Closed feet angled in (left foot lead) x 3
Shuffle at an angle frontwards and rotate 180 ° to go backwards, then forwards	Closed feet angled in (right foot lead) x 3
Carioca – good hip and arm movement in opp direction	Sumo Squat x 3
Walking zig zag lunges, arms overhead x 5 each leg	Lateral Hops x 5
Inchworms/Hand Walks x 5	Forward/Backward Hops x 5 each
Skip with arms crossing body	Single leg hops x 5 each leg
Kicking to toes x 5 each side	Run Diagonally with stop, start
Knee hug to lunge, elbow to instep, and arm opener or overhead with bend x 5 each side	Bounding x 2

Monday, Thursday

FOLLOW THE SPECIFIC PATTERN, FOLLOWED BY POWER FINISHERS

PATTERN RUNS:



The above diagram will be used for part of your conditioning. You will need some type of marker such as cones to set up this workout. The entire workout can be set up using the 18 yd penalty box. From the start/finish point (corner of the penalty box and end line) begin pacing off the distance between cones. Distance does not have to be perfect, if you utilize the entire penalty box as shown, total distance should always result in the same yardage. **Rest 30 sec after each 124 yd run, 90 sec after each "Workout".** Reverse direction for each day.

Distance Covered per Workout = 124 yds

Workout 1

1. Falling start + sprint 10 yds
2. Walk 6 yds
3. Facing the endline, zig-zag in and out of the next six cones
4. Backpedal 8 yds
5. Shuffle 8 yds
6. Sprint 8 yds
7. Walk 6 yds
8. Run with arms at side for 12 yds
9. Walk 6 yds
10. Jog 10 yds
11. Sprint 44 yds

Workout 2

1. Knee to chest falling start + sprint 10 yds **2.** Walk 6 yds **3.** Sprint to third cone, do a 360 degree movement around the cone, accelerate toward last cone and repeat 360 movement **4.** Shuffle 8 yds **5.** Sprint 8 yds **6.** Shuffle 8 yds **7.** Walk 6 yds **8.** Run with arms at side 6 yds **9.** Transition to run with arm drive 6 yds **10.** Walk 6 yds **11.** Jog 10 yds **12.** Sprint 44 yds

Workout 3

1. High knees stop falling start + 10 yd sprint **2.** Walk 6 yds **3.** Weave through cones, touch the base of each one as you go around it **4.** Carioke 8 yds **5.** Sprint 8 yds **6.** Carioke 8 yds **7.** Walk 6 yds **8.** Run with arms out in front 6 yds **9.** Transition to run with arm drive 6 yds **10.** Walk 6 yds **11.** Jog 10 yds **12.** Sprint 44 yds

Week #	Distance	Program
1	1116 yds	3 of ea workout
2	1364 yds	(3-workout 1) and(4-workout 2 and 3)
3	1612 yds	(5-workout 1) and (4 workout 2 and 3)
4	1364 yds	(3-workout 2) and (4-workout 1 and 3)
5	1860 yds	5 of ea workout
6	2108 yds	(5-workout 3) and (6-workout 1 and 2)
7	2356 yds	(7 workout 1) and (6-workout 2 and 3)
8	2108 yds	(5-workout 2) and (6-workout 1 and 3)

Power Finishers

Monday: Screamers- 3 push-ups/1 tuck jump, 6 push-ups/2 tuck jumps, 9 push-ups/ 3 tuck jumps until missed rep, and then back down ladder

Thursday: 12 squats, 6 lunges each leg, 6 lunge scissor jumps, 12 squat jumps

Tuesday, Friday, Sunday

Sprints:	Tues	80 yd shuttle
		10 yds up and back, 30 yds up and back
	Fri	85 yd modified ladder
		10 yd sprint up, 5 yd jog back, 15 yd sprint up, 5 yd jog back
		20 yd sprint up, 5 yd jog back, 25 yd sprint up
	Sun	15 yd repeats
		Sprint 15 yds, rest 6X longer than it takes to sprint, repeat
		Ex. If it takes 3sec to sprint 15 yds, rest 18sec between

Week #	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Tue	X4	X8	X6	X10	X8	X12	X10	X8
Fri	X6	X4	X8	X6	X10	X8	X12	X6
Sun	X18	X22	X26	X22	X26	X30	X34	X26

Saturday Play the game, futsal, etc.

Suggested Core Work

Perform each on in order, then rest for 1-2 minutes and repeat 2-3 times

- Glute Bridges on ball x 10
- Side plank 30 sec each side x 4
- Front plank 30 sec x 4, work up to 1 min
- Jumping Jacks x 15
- Split Jacks x 15 (jumping jacks where you cross your arms and legs)
- Mountain climbers x 10 each side (in plank position, slowly reach right knee to right elbow, repeat on left side)
- Single leg RDL's (Romanian dead lifts) x 6 each leg
- Body squats x 10
- Pull ups x 6-10

Cool Down/Recovery

- The most important thing to do is to drink/ingest some form of carb/protein (4:1 ratio) mix within 30 minutes after completing the workout. Take a shower, bath, relax. Eat a good, solid meal within 1.5-2 hours after the workout. Enjoy the day off. Truly relax and have fun!

Nutrition

Proper nutrition is not just about drinking water and eating a salad with chicken every day, it's about maintaining healthy habits day in and day out, such as limiting sugars and processed foods. Like a good strength program, a good nutrition program has a solid foundation, but over time needs to be individualized. FC Boulder is fortunate to have a great resource in the club with Curt Thompson, Certified Nutritionist. For those seeking more information, reference his book *The Soccer Nutrition Handbook* or contact him at: info@nutritioncoaches.com

Read this article on [10 Things for Optimal Nutrition \(hyper link to PDF\)](#)

Suggested Ball Work

Perform each move for 60 seconds. Ball work can include any number of exercises- try to include 360° directional movement, such as:

- Coerver Moves
- Toe taps
- Rolling sideways, dragging, cuts, Cruyff, Scissors, Matthews, push pulls using only one foot (laces, instep)
- Juggle the ball often, use both feet and challenge yourself to get as many touches as possible in 60 seconds at varying heights (below knee, above knee, above head, etc.)

Example #1:

- Foundations: quick feet
- Foundations: quick feet with a roll inside
- Foundations: quick feet with a touch outside foot
- Inside/Outside across your body switch feet
- Pull Push Inside foot: using same foot but switch feet
- Pull Push Laces: using same feet but switch feet

Example # 2:

Find a wall where you can strike a ball against: start 5-7 feet away from the wall. Go as fast as you can while in control of the ball while attempting as many touches as possible. Repeat 4 times. Change distance to make it harder and faster.

- 1 minute two touch against wall
- 1 minute 1 touch only using the inside of your foot
- 1 minute 1 touch using outside of the foot only
- 1 minute 1 touch using lace only

Example #3: Juggling

- 1 minute dominate foot only: below knees, then only above knees
- 1 minute non dominate foot only: below knees, then only above knees
- 1 minute both feet : below knees, then only above knees
- 3 minute- 2 touches with feet and then 1 thigh. Record how many series you get
- 1 minute heading
- Repeat this juggling progression twice