

## PRACTICE PLAN STRUCTURE

TIME	PRACTICE PART	KEY CONTENTS AND TIPS
Variable	Introduction	Before practice begins
		☐ Arrive early
		☐ Inspect facilities
		☐ Organize equipment
		☐ Greet each player as they arrive, get a feel for their mood
2-3 min		At the beginning of practice
		☐ Start on time
		☐ Ask players to gather in front of you
		☐ Talk briefly about the goals of the practice
		☐ Give specific safety instructions
		☐ End with a team cheer
5-10 min	Warm-up	General warm-up
		☐ General exercises or games to raise body temperature
		☐ Dynamic warm-up exercises
8-15 min		Specific warm-up
		Short activities that players already know and that mimic the movements of the main part
		☐ Intensity should gradually increase but not tire the players
		Note: Never skip or rush a warm-up, as this may lead to injury.
15-30 min	Main Part	Sequence three or more activities (depending on time and logistics) together in a progressive fashion
		☐ Use fun games whenever possible
		Avoid elimination activities, because players who need the most practice get eliminated first (e.g., if you lose the ball you're out)
		☐ If parents or assistants are available, set up stations to minimize downtime and line-ups
		☐ Aim to improve age and stage appropriate skills of players
		☐ Play modified mini-games that allow everyone to participate
5-10 min	Cool-down	☐ Gradually decrease intensity
		☐ Follow with a static stretching routine
2-3 min	Conclusion	Give brief comments on what went well, what needs improving
		☐ End with a team cheer
		☐ Ensure that nobody leaves feeling frustrated or in an aggressive mood