Skerries Athletic Club



Purpose:

Aims to strengthen the diaphragm, improve blood oxygenation, quicken muscle recovery during effort, increase cardiovascular capacity and develop the awareness of deep breathing in young athletes.

Deep Breathing Rep 5 times

While lying down on your back, place one hand on your chest and one hand on your abdomen near your "belly button".

Slowly take a deep breath in and focus on trying to get your hand on your stomach to rise while the hand on your chest remains still.

As you breathe in, the hand on your stomach should rise. When you breathe out, the hand on your stomach should lower.

With Hold	Deep Breathing with Hold	Hold 5 seconds. Rep 5 times
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Hold breath for X sec.

When you breathe out, the hand on your stomach should lower.

Hint/tips:

- When you are breathing out you can "hummm" for as long as you can.
- These exercises can also be performed in a sitting position several times a day.