Section Safety

Aerobic exercise Physical examination by physician for men over 45 and women over 55, history of heart disease in family, smoker or recent former smoker, have not exercised regularly in last 3 months, overweight or obese, high blood pressure or cholesterol, prediabetic. Select activities that match your skills, balance, and strength.

Component
Strength/resistance
Perform with proper
technique, full range of
motion in joint when
possible, controlled
breathing during the
concentric and eccentric
phases.

Flexibility
No bouncing while
holding a stretch.
Performed after a light
warm up with aerobic
activity or with heat
packs to enhance
stretching benefits.

Program principles

Frequency: 3-5 times/week Intensity: HR methods, VO₂ methods, or perceived exertion methods. Time: 20-60 minutes a day of vigorous activity or 30-60-minute moderate intensity/day 150 minutes or more of activity a week of moderate intensity 75 minutes or more of activity a week of vigorous intensity. *Type:* Requiring minimal skill, especially for vigorous activity (eg, walking, cycling, running),

Frequency: Each major muscle group trained 2-3 times/week Intensity: 60-70% of 1 repetition maximum for novice to intermediate, higher than 80% for experienced, 40-50% for older beginners and sedentary people beginning strength training. Type: Multijoint exercise activating agonist/antagonist groups for all. Single-joint exercises can be included. Variety of machines, free weights, body weights. Repetitions: 8-12 to improve strength for most. Sets: 2-3.

Frequency: 2-3 times/week Intensity: Stretch to point of tightness, no pain. Time: Static stretch 10-30 seconds for most adults, 30-60 in older adults. For proprioceptive neuromuscular facilitation stretching: 3-6-second light/moderate contraction then stretch for 10-30 seconds. *Type:* Series of stretches of each of the major muscle tendon regions are recommended.

Volume: Total stretch

recreational sports. Volume: Target 500-1000 metabolic equivalent of task/minute/week. Progression: Increase time 5-10 minutes/session every 1-2 weeks

Rest: 2-3 minutes between sets and 48 hours between days.

Progression: Gradual/week

time of 60 seconds per muscle-tendon region Pattern: Repeat stretching 2-4 times Progression: Unknown

Warm-up: 5-10 minutes of light/moderate intensity cardiovascular exercise.

Conditioning: 20-60minute aerobic, resistance, neuromotor, or sport activities; accumulative bouts of 10 minutes of activity Cool-down: 5-10-

minute light/moderate cardiovascular exercise Stretching: 10 minutes

or more after exercise

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Single training session principles