Basic Practice Tips for Juvenile Hurling and Camogie

Skills 1

- 1. Name the parts of the hurley
- How: (a) Ready Position (b) Lock Position (c) Lifting Position change from (a) to (b) and from (a) to (c).
- 3. Strike a tyre 5 times (strong side) and 5 times (weak side).
- 4. Practice striking a ball.

Skills 2

- 1. Strike the ball (strong side) at least 10 metres along the ground.
- 2. Block the ball at ground level with the hurley.
- 3. Dribble the ball 10 metres with the hurley to pass between to two cones set 1 metre apart.
- 4. Chest catch the ball.

Skills 3

- 1. Strike the ball (weak side) at least 5 metres along the ground.
- 2. Run to the ball and strike it (strong side) at least 10 metres along the ground.
- 3. Roll-lift the ball into the hand at least 5 times in 30 seconds.
- 4. Balance the ball on the hurley for at least 10 seconds.
- 5. Palm the ball at least 3 metres.
- 6. Palm the ball thrown-up off the hurley.

Skills 4

- 1. Run to the ball and strike it (weak side) at least 5 metres along the ground.
- 2. Block the ball (below head level) with the hurley.
- 3. Jab-lift the ball into the hand at least 8 times in 30 seconds.
- 4. Strike the ball (strong side) at least 10 metres from the hand.
- 5. *Catch the ball (overhead) using the hurley to protect the catching hand.

Skills 5

- Block the ball with a hurley as it passes over head.
 - Advanced skill: Block the ball and catch it as it falls.
- 2. Solo at least 10 metres with ball balanced or hopping on the hurley to pass between two cones set 3m apart.
- 3. Run to a moving ball and lift it into your hand.
- Double on a moving ground ball to return it in the direction from which it is coming (at least 10 metres strong side and 5 metres weak side).
 - Advanced Skill: Double on the ball in the air.
- Strike the ball at least 20 metres from the hand (strong side) to pass through a goal 6.5 metres wide.
 - Advanced skill: Strike the ball from the hand on the run.

Skills 6

- 1. Bat a ball (passing overhead) at least 5 metres.
- Score a point from a 20 metre free. Advanced Skill: Strike the ball off the hurley on the run.
- 3. Strike the ball 20 metres from the hand (weak side).
- Double in a moving ground ball to send it forward in the direction it is already travelling (at least 10 metres strong side and 5 metres weak side).
 - Advanced Skill: Double on the ball in the air.
- Strike a sideline ball (sideline cut) to rise above hip level and travel at least 10 metres.
 Skills marked with an asterix (*) require a partner.