

## Volleyball Right-Side Attacker Interval Hitting Program

Program	Step	Criteria for Progression
Right-side attacker	Step 1	20 warm-up hits (40%-50%)
		6 attack hits (50%), 2 sets *
		10 easy full- court hits
	Step 2	20 warm up hits (40%-50%)
		6 attack hits (50%), 2 sets *
		4 serves (50%) **
		10 easy full-court hits
	Step 3	20 warm up hits (50%)
		6 attacks hits (50%), 3 sets *
		4 serves (50%), 2 sets **
		10 easy full-court hits
	Step 4	20 warm-up hits (50%)
		6 attack hits (75%), 3 sets *
		4 serves (50%), 3 sets **
		10 easy full-court hits
	Step 5	25 warm-up hits (50%-75%)
		6 attack hits (75%), 3 sets *
		4 serves (75%), 3 sets **
		15 easy full-court hits
	Step 6	30 warm-up hits (50%-75%)
		6 attack hits (75%), 4 sets *
		4 game placement serves, 4 sets **
		20 easy full-court hits



Step 7	30 warm- up hits (50%-75%)
	7 attack hits (75%-100%), 4 sets *
	4 game placement serves, 4 sets **
	20 easy full-court hits

\*Rest 45-60 seconds between hits, 6-8 minutes between sets

\*\*Rest 20 seconds between serves, 6 minutes between sets

## **Injury Classification**

Non-hitting-arm injury:	After medical clearance, begin step 1 and advance 1 step daily, following soreness rules
Hitting arm: bruise or bone involvement:	After medical clearance, begin step 1 and advance every other day, following soreness rules
Hitting arm: tendon, ligament, nerve injury (mild):	After medical clearance, begin with step 1. For the first week, hit every third day, following soreness rules. After the first 2 weeks, advance program as soreness rules allow, hitting every other day
Throwing arm: tendon, ligament, nerve injury (moderate, severe, postop):	After medical clearance, begin step 1.  First two weeks (days 1-14), hit every 3-4 days and not advance beyond step 1  On days 15-28, begin hitting with step 2 every 2-3 days but do not advance beyond step 2  On days 29-42, use soreness rules to advance program, hitting every third day.  If no soreness, hit the warm-up ad easy full-court hits of the previous days workouts on off days



## **Soreness Rules**

If sore more than 1 hour after hitting or the next day, take 1 day off and repeat the most recent hitting program workout
If sore during warm-up but soreness is gone within the first 5 hits, repeat the previous workout. If shoulder becomes sore during the workout, stop and take 2 days off. Upon return to hitting, drop down 1 step
If sore during warm-up and soreness continues during the first 15 hits, stop hitting and take 2 days off. Upon return to hitting, drop down 1 step
If no soreness, advance 1 step every hitting day

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