

# Swim for a Mile Training Programme

Equipment

None required

## **Session 19**

Total lengths = 48 lengths

Total distance = 1,200m

## Warm up

200m FC (concentrating on push and glide at the start of each length)

## Main set

- 100m FC X 4 (pace yourself so last length is as good as the first) Rest 30 seconds
- 2. 100m BC easy

Rest 15 seconds

3. 100m FC X 4 (pace yourself so last length is as good as the first)
Rest 30 seconds

## Cool down

100m your choice of stroke, nice and easy

## Relax

Tumbling at the wall



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## **Tips for Session 19**

#### Push and Glide

- 1) With one hand on the wall/bar turn your body slightly sideways with both feet against the wall and the other arm straight out in front on top of the water
- 2) Push off the wall using the power of your legs and keep the arm straight out in front
- 3) As you push off put your face into the water, nose pointing down and ears level
- 4) To prevent irritation from water going into your nose blow out gently through your
- 5) nose as your face enters the water and during the push off
- 6) At the same time bring the other arm over your head to meet the other hand as in streamline positioning
- 7) Start swimming using your 3 steps
  - 1. push to glide
  - 2. kick
  - 3. arm pull

## Tumbling at the wall

- 1) Swim towards the wall, when you are an arm pull away start to tumble.
- 2) Tuck your chin in towards your chest
- 3) Tuck your knees into your chest using your arms to assist the roll over
- 4) As you roll over push your legs back towards the wall
- 5) A tumble turn is not a complete turn, you want to come out facing the other way
- 6) You will be on your side as you push off the wall
- 7) Push your two feet of the wall and at the same time push your two arms out in front to bring your body into a streamlined position keeping your head tucked between your arms
- 8) As you glide away from the wall turn on to your front
- 9) Start with leg kick as a normal push off and then start arm pull



# Swim for a Mile Training Programme

## **Session 20**

Total lengths = 52 lengths

Total distance = 1,300m

## Warm up

200m FC easy pace controlling breathing for each length

## Main set

- 200m FC X 2 (concentrate on bilateral breathing)
   Have a go at a tumble turn
   seconds rest between each set
- 2. 100m BRST
  - 30 seconds rest
- 3. 200m FC X 2 (count strokes on each length and try and do less on each next length) Have a go at a tumble turn
  - 60 seconds rest between each set
- 4. 100m BC

30 seconds rest

#### Cool down

100m your choice of stroke, nice and easy

#### Skill

**Practise Turning** 

## Relax

Floating positions

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## **Tips for Session 20**

## Front Crawl Leg Kick

- 1) Straight legs with toes pointing behind you
- 2) Kick from your hips
- 3) Only heels and toes break the surface

#### Front Crawl Arm Pull

- 1) As your hand enters the water turn your hand downwards and inwards first to pull and then to push through the water
- 2) Bring the hand back until your thumb reaches your leg
- 3) Lift your elbow out of the water first
- 4) Bringing your hand up and over the water (elbow high)
- 5) Reach your hand out, rotating your shoulders to increase the distance
- 6) Glide your fingers into the water, turned slightly with thumb entering the water first

## **Bilateral Breathing**

- 1) Keeping your body in a streamlined position roll your head to one side while rotating your body slightly to the other side dropping your shoulder below the
- 2) surface and keep the ear in the water
- 3) Breathe and roll your head back to a streamlined position
- 4) Breathe every 3 strokes
- 5) If you find it hard on longer distance to breath every 3 strokes try breathing twice to
- 6) one side then do 3 strokes and breath twice to the other side

## Tumbling at the wall

- 1) Swim towards the wall, when you are an arm pull away start to tumble.
- 2) Tuck your chin in towards your chest
- 3) Tuck your knees into your chest using your arms to assist the roll over
- 4) As you roll over push your legs back towards the wall
- 5) A tumble turn is not a complete turn, you want to come out facing the other way
- 6) You will be on your side as you push off the wall
- 7) Push your two feet of the wall and at the same time push your two arms out in front to bring your body into a streamlined position keeping your head tucked between your arms
- 8) As you glide away from the wall turn on to your front
- 9) Start with leg kick as a normal push off and then start arm pull



# Swim for a Mile Training Programme

## **Session 21**

Total lengths = 52 lengths

Total distance = 1,300m

## Warm up

200m as (100 FC, 50 FC Kick, 50 BC)

## Main Set

- 1. 50m FC
  - 30 seconds rest
- 2. 100m FC kick with board
  - 40 seconds rest
- 3. 150m FC
  - 45 seconds rest
- 4. 200m FC
  - 60 seconds rest
- 5. 200m FC
  - 45 seconds rest
- 6. 150m FC
  - 40 seconds rest
- 100m FC kick with board 30 seconds rest
- 8. 50m FC

## **Cool Down**

100m (50 BC, 50 BRST)

## Relax

Floating positions

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## **Tips for Session 21**

Control your breathing: use different breathing technique, change how you breathe on different lengths and you will find what works for you

Floating concentrating on body position

## On your front

- 1) Face down, nose pointing downwards keeping body flat on top of the water.
- 2) Arms out in front and legs straight out behind.

## On your back

- 1) Head back in the water, face out.
- 2) Ears level and head relaxed.
- 3) Keep your tummy up and hands by your side with legs out straight.

#### Mushroom Float

- 1) Start with a front float.
- 2) Tuck your knees into your chest and bring your chin to your knees.
- 3) Wrap your arms around your knees and let your body roll.
- 4) Blow out through your nose as you tuck your chin in.
- 5) You will roll forward slightly and then stop with your back arched looking like a mushroom above the water.

## **Combination Floating**

- 1) Start with a front float; keep your legs close together.
- 2) Rolling over from your front to your back (rotate your shoulders and hips)
- 3) Float on your back; keep your legs close together.
- 4) Brings your knees up towards your chest while you bend at your waist bringing your shoulders towards your knees and wrap your arms around your knees.
- 5) Roll forward into a mushroom float, exhaling as you roll forward.
- 6) Try holding each position for 5 seconds.