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## 12 Week Paris Ancaster Program <br> Training Plan Guidelines

- Each day has a specific workout prescription based on your Power zone from your Functional Threshold Power (FTP) or time in heart rate or perceived exertion zones and at a specific cadence
- Every ride should start the same way as follows:

> 5 min Z1 (in a light gear i.e. small ring on road bike, light gear on MTB)

10 min Z2 (usually also in small ring or light gear)

## Stretch

$5 \min \mathrm{Z} 2$
After you have completed the 20 min warmup you begin the outlined workout. The warmup is included in the total time for the ride.

- After you are done the prescribed pieces/intervals the remainder of your ride should as much as possible be in Z2. For rest between intervals and pieces ride in low Z2 in an easy gear (small ring on road bike, light gear on MTB)
- When you are riding in Z 2 it is assumed that occasionally on climbs and in strong winds you may get into Z3. Attempt to get back into Z2 as soon as possible.


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- As a general rule you should have a cadence of 90 rpm . For an average rider this will mean you will use the big ring with little wind or with a tail wind and a lighter gear on the MTB with a headwind or on hilly terrain.
- Z4 intensity, sprints and power pieces should be done in the big ring unless on a hill. Spin pieces will usually be done in the small ring or lighter gear on the MTB.
- Every ride should finish the same way as follows:

5 min Z2 (small ring or lighter gear on the MTB)
5 min Z1 (small ring or lighter gear on the MTB)
This time does count toward total ride time as did the warm up.

## Appendix 1 Anaerobic Threshold Heart Rate or FTP Power Field Test and Zone Calculation

Perform a 20 min pre test warmup as follows:

> 5 min Z 1 (in a light gear i.e. small ring on road bike, lighter gear on the MTB)

10 min Z2 (usually small to medium size gear)

## Stretch

5 min Z3
After you have completed the 20 min warmup spin easy in Z1
For 2 minutes to allow your heart rate to come down
Start the time trial test in the big chain ring from a complete standstill or from a moderate spin on the fluid or smart trainer

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The test is a 20 minute all out effort, as if in a 20 minute road or mountain time trial race.

For heart rate Time your test for the first 5 minutes, but do not start your heart rate monitor until after the first 5 minutes of the test. After 5 minutes start your heart rate monitor to enable it to calculate average heart rate. (You will be calculating the average heart rate only on the final 15 minutes of the 20 minute test).

As soon as the test is finished, stop your heart rate monitor and get your average heart rate reading.

Your average heart rate for the 15 minutes will equate to your anaerobic threshold heart rate

For FTP you want the power for the entire 20 minutes. Take your best 20 minute power average from the test and divide it by $104 \%$ to determine your Functional Threshold Power (FTP)

After the test ensure you spin in a light gear in Z2
For the calculation of your zones your result is your anaerobic threshold or FTP Simply calculate your zones as a percentage of your threshold or FTP

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## HEART RATE SYSTEM OF TRAINING INTENSITY CATEGORIES

| Intensity Category | Duration as Training (minutes) | Intensity Explanation | Heart Rate Zone | Goals of Intensity | Practical Examples |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Zone 1 | >45 | Enjoyable, little or no pressure on peddles | Less than $72 \%$ of Anaerobic Threshold | Regenerati on <br> Enjoyment <br> Technique | Bike Walk <br> Rest Day |
| Zone 2 | >45 | Medium Pace <br> Talking is easy | 72-84\% of Anaerobic Threshold | Basic Endurance <br> Maintenanc e | Base Miles <br> Long Slow Distance |
| Zone 3 | 30-90 | Talking is moderately difficult | 85-93\% of <br> Anaerobic <br> Threshold | Fat/Carbo mix <br> High Intensity Aerobic | 30 minute session |
| Zone 4 | 5-10 | Talking is possible but very difficult <br> Time Trial Pace | 94-100\% of <br> Anaerobic <br> Threshold | Increase Anaerobic Threshold <br> Time Trial Feeling | 5-10 minute sessions |
| Zone 5 | 2-4 | Talking Is Nearly Impossible | 101-107\% <br> of <br> Anaerobic <br> Threshold | Race <br> Speed <br> Feeling <br> Ability to Jump/Bridg e | 2-4 minute Interval 3000m pursuit |
| Zone 6 | 45s-2min | All out <br> Talking not possible | 101\%+ | Lactate Tolerance Anaerobic Capacity | Ladders |

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## POWER ZONES BASED ON FTP

| Intensity Category | Duration as Training (minutes) | Intensity Explanation | Heart Rate Zone | Goals of Intensity | Practical Examples |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Zone 1 | >45 | Enjoyable, little or no pressure on peddles | Less than $55 \%$ of FTP | Regenerati on Enjoyment Technique | Bike Walk <br> Rest Day |
| Zone 2 | >45 | Medium Pace <br> Talking is easy | $\begin{aligned} & 55-75 \% \\ & \text { of FTP } \end{aligned}$ | Basic Endurance <br> Maintenanc e | Base Miles <br> Long Slow Distance |
| Zone 3 | 30-90 | Talking is moderately difficult | $\begin{aligned} & 75-90 \% \\ & \text { of FTP } \end{aligned}$ | Fat/Carbo mix <br> High Intensity Aerobic | 30 minute session |
| Zone 4 | 5-10 | Talking is possible but very difficult <br> Time Trial Pace | $\begin{aligned} & 91-105 \% \\ & \text { Of FTP } \end{aligned}$ | Increase <br> Anaerobic <br> Threshold <br> Time Trial Feeling | 5-10 minute sessions |
| Zone 5 | 2-4 | Talking Is Nearly Impossible | $\begin{aligned} & 106-120 \% \\ & \text { Of FTP } \end{aligned}$ | Race <br> Speed Feeling <br> Ability to Jump/Bridg e | 2-4 minute Interval 3000m pursuit |
| Zone 6 | 45s-2min | All out <br> Talking not possible | 121\% + <br> Of FTP | Lactate Tolerance Anaerobic Capacity | Ladders <br> 30 second intervals |

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## Appendix 2 Rate of Perceived Exertion Training Plan Guidelines

- If you choose not to use heart rate or power you can train based on rate of perceived exertion as follows.
- Each day has a specific workout prescription based on your perceived exertion zones
- Every ride outside should start the same way as follows:

5 min 4-5 exertion (out of 10)
(in a light gear i.e. small ring on road bike, middle ring on MTB)

10 min 5-6 exertion (out of 10)
(usually also in small or middle ring)
Stretch
5 min 5-6 exertion (out of 10)
After you have completed the 20 min warmup you begin the outlined workout. The warmup is included in the total time for the ride. RPE = Rate of Perceived Exertion

- After you are done the prescribed pieces/intervals the remainder of your ride should as much as possible be between 6-7 RPE. For rest between intervals and pieces ride at 5-6 RPE in an easy gear
- When you are riding at 6-7 RPE it is assumed that occasionally on climbs and in strong winds you may get up to 8 RPE Attempt to get back down to 6-7 RPE as soon as possible
- Every ride outside should finish the same way as follows:

5 min RPE 5-6
5 min RPE 4-5
This time does count toward total ride time as did the warm up.

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## RPE SYSTEM OF TRAINING INTENSITY CATEGORIES

| Intensity Category | Duration as Training (minutes) | Intensity Explanation | Exertion Rating on a scale of 1-20 | Goals of Intensity | Practical Examples |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Zone 1 | >45 | Enjoyable, little or no pressure on peddles | 1-4 | Regeneration <br> Enjoyment <br> Technique | Active Recovery <br> Rest Day |
| Zone 2 | >45 | Medium Pace <br> Talking is easy | 5-6 | Basic Endurance <br> Maintenance | Base Miles <br> Long Slow Distance |
| Zone 3 | 30-90 | Talking is moderately difficult | 7 | Fat/Carbo mix <br> High Intensity Aerobic | 30 minute session |
| Zone 4 | 5-20 | Talking is possible but very difficult <br> Time Trial Pace | 8 | Increase <br> Anaerobic <br> Threshold <br> Time Trial <br> Feeling | 5-10 minute sessions |
| Zone 5 | 2-4 | Talking Is Nearly Impossible | 9 | Race Speed Feeling <br> Ability to Jump/Bridge | 2-4 minute Interval <br> 3000m pursuit |
| Zone 6 | 45s-2min | All out <br> Talking not possible | 10 | Lactate Tolerance Anaerobic Capacity | Ladders |

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|  | Monday | Tuesday | Wed. | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | Sunday |
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| Total Hours: 5:00 3:00 Bike 2:00 Strength Week 1 | 1:00 <br> Total Body and Core Coordination $3 \times 12$ | OFF <br> OR <br> Yoga | $\begin{aligned} & 1: 00 \\ & 4 * 5 \text { minute } \\ & \text { Z3 spin } \\ & \text { pieces } 110 \\ & \text { rpm } \\ & \text { 1:1 work to } \\ & \text { rest ratio } \end{aligned}$ | 1:00 <br> Total Body and Core Coordination $3 \times 12$ | OFF | 1:00 <br> 4*5 minute <br> Z3 regular <br> rpm (90) <br> 1:1 work to rest ratio | 1:00 <br> 6*30 second intervals at $180-220 \%$ of FTP or Z6 HR or RPE Do intervals every 5 minutes. |
| Total Hours: 5:00 <br> 3:00 Bike <br> 2:00 Strength <br> Week 2 | 1:00 <br> Total Body and Core Coordination $3 \times 12$ | OFF <br> OR <br> Yoga | 1:00 <br> 6*20 second sprints at $220-250 \%$ of FTP or 9.5/10 RPE Do sprints every 5 minutes. | 1:00 <br> Total Body and Core Coordination $3 \times 12$ | OFF | 1:00 <br> 2*10 minute <br> Z3 regular rpm (90) 1:1 work to rest ratio | 1:00 <br> 6*30 second intervals at $180-220 \%$ of FTP or Z6 HR or RPE Do intervals every 5 minutes. |
| Total Hours: <br> 6:00 <br> 4:00 Bike <br> 2:00 Strength <br> Week 3 | 1:00 <br> Total Body and Core Coordination $3 \times 12$ | 1:00 <br> 4*5 minute <br> Z3 spin <br> pieces 110 <br> rpm <br> 1:1 work to rest ratio | 1:00 <br> 6*30 second intervals at $180-220 \%$ of FTP or Z6 HR or RPE Do intervals every 5 minutes. | 1:00 <br> Total Body and Core Coordination $3 \times 12$ | OFF | 1:00 <br> 2*5 minute <br> Z3 power <br> pieces 65-70 <br> rpm <br> $2 * 5$ minute <br> Z3 spin <br> pieces 110 <br> rpm. <br> 1:1 work to rest ratio | 1:00 <br> 6*30 second intervals at $180-220 \%$ of FTP or Z6 HR or RPE Do intervals every 5 minutes. |
| Total Hours: 4:45 <br> 2:45 Bike <br> 2:00 Strength <br> Week 4 <br> Regen Week | 1:00 <br> Total Body and Core Coordination $3 \times 12$ | OFF <br> OR <br> Yoga | 1:00 <br> 2*10 minute Z3 regular rpm (90) 1:1 work to rest ratio | 1:00 <br> Total Body and Core Coordination $3 \times 12$ | OFF | $\begin{aligned} & 0: 45 \\ & \text { Z2 higher } \\ & \text { Rpm 95-100 } \end{aligned}$ | 1:00 <br> 6*30 second intervals at $180-220 \%$ of FTP or Z6 HR or RPE Do intervals every 5 minutes. |
| Total Hours: <br> 5:30 <br> 3:30 Bike <br> 2:00 Strength <br> Week 5 | 1:00 <br> Total Body and Core Hypertrophy 12-10-8 | OFF <br> OR <br> Yoga | 1:00 <br> 6*30 second intervals at $180-220 \%$ of FTP or Z6 HR or RPE Do intervals every 5 minutes. | 1:00 <br> Total Body and Core Hypertrophy 12-10-8 | OFF | 1:00 <br> 2*5 minute <br> Z3 power <br> pieces 65-70 <br> rpm <br> 2*5 minute <br> Z3 spin <br> pieces 110 <br> rpm. <br> 1:1 work to rest ratio | 1:00 <br> 8*30 second intervals at 180-220\% of FTP or Z6 HR or RPE Do intervals every 5 minutes. |

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| Total <br> Hours: <br> 6:30 <br> 4:30 Bike <br> 2:00 Strength <br> Week 6 | 1:00 <br> Total Body and Core <br> Hypertrophy 12-10-8 | $\begin{aligned} & 1: 00 \\ & 4 * 5 \text { minute } \\ & \text { Z3 spin } \\ & \text { pieces } 110 \\ & \text { rpm } \\ & 1: 1 \text { work to } \\ & \text { rest ratio } \end{aligned}$ | 1:00 <br> FTP <br> Test <br> Adjust zones after test. <br> OR <br> 1:00 <br> 6*30 second intervals at 180-220\% of FTP or Z6 HR or RPE Do intervals every 5 minutes. | 1:00 <br> Total Body and Core <br> Hypertrophy 12-10-8 | OFF | 1:00 <br> 6*20 second sprints at 220-250\% of FTP or 9.5/10 RPE Do sprints every 5 minutes. | 1:30 <br> 5*5 minute <br> Z4 regular <br> rpm (90) <br> 1:1 work to rest ratio |
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| Total Hours: <br> 6:30 <br> 4:30 Bike <br> 2:00 Strength <br> Week 7 | 1:00 <br> Total Body and Core <br> Hypertrophy 12-10-8 | 1:00 <br> 4*5 minute <br> Z3 spin <br> pieces 110 <br> rpm <br> 1:1 work to rest ratio | 1:00 <br> 4*5 minute <br> Z4 regular <br> rpm (90) <br> 1:1 work to rest ratio | 1:00 <br> Total Body and Core <br> Hypertrophy 12-10-8 | OFF | 1:00 <br> 2*15 minute <br> Z 3 regular <br> rpm (90) <br> Ride 10 <br> minutes Z2 <br> between <br> efforts. | 1:30 <br> 5*5 minute <br> Z4 regular <br> rpm (90) <br> 1:1 work to rest ratio |
| Total Hours: <br> 6:30 <br> 4:30 Bike <br> 2:00 Strength <br> Week 8 | 1:00 <br> Total Body and Core Power 10-8-6 | 1:00 <br> 4*5 minute <br> Z3 spin <br> pieces 110 <br> rpm <br> 1:1 work to rest ratio | 1:00 <br> 2*10 minute <br> Z4 regular rpm (90) 1:1 work to rest ratio | 1:00 <br> Total Body and Core Power 10-8-6 | OFF | 1:00 <br> 6*20 second sprints at 220-250\% of FTP or 9.5/10 RPE Do sprints every 5 minutes. | 1:30 <br> 3*10 minute <br> Z4 regular <br> rpm (90) <br> Ride 5 <br> minutes Z2 <br> between <br> efforts. |
| Total Hours: <br> 5:30 <br> 3:30 Bike <br> 2:00 Strength <br> Week 9 <br> Regen <br> Week. | 1:00 <br> Total Body and Core Power 10-8-6 | OFF <br> OR <br> Yoga | 1:00 <br> $2 * 5$ minute <br> Z3 power <br> pieces 65-70 <br> rpm <br> $2 * 5$ minute <br> Z3 spin <br> pieces 110 <br> rpm. <br> 1:1 work to rest ratio | 1:00 <br> Total Body and Core Power 10-8-6 | OFF | 1:00 <br> Z2 basic endurance higher rpm 95-100 | 1:30 <br> 3*10 minute <br> Z4 regular <br> rpm (90) <br> Ride 5 <br> minutes Z2 <br> between <br> efforts. |

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| Total <br> Hours: <br> 7:30 <br> 5:30 Bike <br> 2:00 Strength <br> Week 10 | 1:00 <br> Total Body and Core Power 10-8-6 | 1:00 <br> Z2 basic <br> endurance <br> higher rpm $95-100$ | 1:00 <br> FTP <br> Test <br> Adjust zones after test. <br> OR <br> 1:00 <br> 2*10 minute <br> Z4 regular rpm (90) 1:1 work to rest ratio | 1:00 <br> Total Body and Core Power 10-8-6 | OFF | 1:30 <br> 8*20 second <br> sprints at <br> 220-250\% of <br> FTP. Do <br> intervals <br> every 5 <br> minutes. | $\begin{aligned} & 2: 00 \\ & 2 * 15 \text { minute } \\ & \text { Z4 regular } \\ & \text { rpm (90) } \\ & \text { Ride 10 } \\ & \text { minutes Z2 } \\ & \text { between } \\ & \text { efforts. } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total <br> Hours: <br> 5:30 <br> 5:00 Bike <br> 0:30 Core <br> Week 11 <br> Taper | 0:15 Core | 1:30 <br> 2*15 minute <br> Z4 regular <br> rpm (90) <br> Ride 10 <br> minutes Z2 <br> between <br> efforts. | 0:15 Core | 1:00 <br> 6*20 second sprints at $220-250 \%$ of FTP or 9.5/10 RPE Do sprints every 5 minutes. | OFF | 1:00 <br> Z2 basic endurance higher rpm 95-100 | 1:30 <br> 3*10 minute <br> Z4 regular <br> rpm (90) <br> Ride 5 <br> minutes Z2 <br> between <br> efforts |
| Total <br> Hours: <br> Week 12 <br> Taper | 0:15 Core | 1:30 <br> 5*5 minute <br> Z4 regular rpm (90) 1:1 work to rest ratio | 0:15 Core | 1:00 <br> 4*5 minute <br> Z3 spin <br> pieces 110 <br> rpm <br> 1:1 work to rest ratio | OFF | 1:00 <br> Race Prep $2 * 8$ minutes. <br> First 5 minutes Z3, last 3 minutes Z4. <br> Remainder or ride in fairly strict Z2. | Paris <br> To <br> Ancaster!! <br> Warm up with <br> 5 min Z1 <br> 5 min Z 2 <br> 5 min Z3 <br> $2 \min Z 2$ |

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## Strength and Conditioning Plan Guidelines

- For Total Body and Strength programs start with a 10 minute cardiovascular warm-up (bike, cross trainer, fast paced walking on treadmill etc.)
- Each workouts is based on sets of exercises and repetitions. When you perform 12 repetitions of a squat you have just completed one set of 12 reps. If you repeat the 12 squats 3 times that is 3 sets of 12 reps.
- Rest between sets is time taken between each set. This time is usually 45 seconds -1.5 minutes. Take this time to change the weights, take a drink and prepare for the next set
- A superset is when two exercises are done back to back. After completing both exercises you take a small 20 second rest. For example if you did a superset with squats and ball crunches you would do 1 set of squats, immediately do 1 set of crunches then take a 20 second break and repeat
- If you are doing weights for the first time START LIGHT. When in doubt go even lighter than you would normally consider. Athletes often will get very sore after their first couple strength sessions unless they temper their enthusiasm and start light.
- Reps in reserve is meant to help you start fairly light. Reps in reserve means the number of reps you could have completed in good form when you stop the exercise. For instance if you are doing 12 reps of squats with 3 reps in reserve this means you are picking a weight that you could fairly easily perform 15 times, but you stop at 12. After your 12 rep you feel like you could still do 3 more.


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- Tempo is the speed of the exercise. A tempo of 3-0-2 means it takes 3 seconds for the eccentric (muscles lengthening or releasing), there is 0 pause and then it takes 2 seconds for the concentric motion (muscles shortening). For example a squat done at 3-0-2 means it takes 3 seconds to lower, there is 0 pause at the bottom and it takes 2 seconds to come up. Another example would be a Lat Pulldown done at 3-0-2. This means it takes 3 seconds to let the bar up, 0 pause at the top and 2 seconds to bring the bar down
- Always perform exercises in good form. Never sacrifice form for weight.


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## Strength \& Conditioning Program-Coordination

Exercise Sets
Leg Press 3 Sets
(Single Leg)

Reps

12 Reps
Superset
$31^{\text {st }}$ week
302
$22^{\text {nd }}$ week
$13^{\text {rd }}$ week
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Superset 2 sets of Ball Burpees 10-12 reps between leg press sets


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Prone Leg Curl 3 sets (Single leg)

12 Reps
Superset Same as 302 Above


Superset Leg Curl and Calf Raise. 30 seconds rest after each superset

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Chest Fly 3 sets
12 Reps
45 seconds
Same as
302 Above


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Seated Row
3 sets
12 Reps
Superset Same
3-0-2


Superset 2 sets of Back Extensions 8-10 Reps


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Superset Bis and Tris
Triceps Rope 3 sets 12 Reps Superset Same 302
Pressdown


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Rest 45 seconds


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Total Body Hypertrophy Phase

| Exercise Sets |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Leg Press <br> (Single Leg) Sets | RestReps in <br> Reserve | Tempo |



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Superset 2 sets of Ball Shoulder Balance $4 \times 5$ second hold


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Superset Pushups \& Lat Pulldown. 30 seconds rest after each superset

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Superset Bis and Tris

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Advanced 2 sets $4-8$ reps 45 seconds rest Walkout


V Sits $\quad 2$ sets $\mathbf{8 - 1 0}$ Rest $\mathbf{4 5}$ seconds between sets


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Strength \& Conditioning Program - Power Phase


Goblet Squats
3 sets
10-8-6


45 seconds Same as

## 202

above


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Superset 2 sets of Pikes 4-5 Reps


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Superset Same as
Above


Superset Leg Curl and Calf Raise. 30 seconds rest after each superset

Standing 3 sets 12 Reps Superset \begin{tabular}{l}
Same as 202 <br>
Calf Raise

$\quad$

Above
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Chest Floor Press 3 sets $\quad 10-8-6 \quad$ Superset Same as Above 2-0-2


Superset 3 Sets 10-8-6 2-0-2 Dumbell Back Rows with Chest Floor Press


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## Superset Biceps Curls with Triceps Rope Pressdown

Triceps Rope
Pressdown


3 sets

10-8-6 Superset
Same as
Above


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Prone Low 2 sets $4 \times 5$ second hold Superset Ball Balance Back


2 point plank 2 sets 20 second hold each side 45 secs rest


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Side Plank 2 sets 30 sec. hold each side. 45 seconds rest


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## Ball Knee Balance $2 \times 10-15$ sec per side Superset



Prone Low 2 sets $4 \times 5$ second hold Superset Ball Balance
Back


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45 seconds rest


Ball Burpees Advanced 2 sets $\mathbf{6}-12$ reps $\mathbf{4 5}$ seconds rest


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Advanced Plank 3 sets 20 second hold each side 45 second rest


