



Wizards (Novice)

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LTAD:

- Fun
- Introduce Skills
- Basic Rules (full contact, crease, interference, moving pic, free hand, etc)
- Fair Play
- Physical Activity
- ABC's
- Emphasize Speed and Player Flexibility (offensive, defensive)

Technical Skills:

- Cradling (TRIPLE THREAT, top hand, up at shoulder, don't over cradle, only protect)
- Scoop (on the run, attack the ball)
- Overhand Pass
- Overhand Shot (bounce shot)
- Dodging (face dodge, rolling)
- Defensive Body Position (2 hands, cross check, stick check, stance, feet moving, positioning; defensive, top side)
- Creating Space (engage defender, pop out, pic)

Tactical Skills:

- Give n' Go
- Cutting

- Floor Positioning** (*right side of the floor, offence, defence, face-off, point-shooter-creaseman)
- Transition, Breakouts** (introduction into transition)
- Face-Off**

Goalies:

- Stance**
- Angles**
- Passing**
- Stopping Shots**

FOCUS SHOULD BE PLACED ON FUNDAMENTAL SKILL DEVELOPMENT; FORMING GOOD HABITS, BASIC TECHNICAL ABILITY

HABITS:

**Fun vs. Competitive (Score, Winning)
Team Play vs. Individual Play
Movement (Running) vs. Stationary (Standing)**

Correcting technical skills; side-arms, over cradling, cradling at hip, hand positioning on stick

PRACTICES:

**High Reps, Little Standing Around
Fun (Keep Players Engaged)**

GAMES:

**Fun, Fair Play
Co- Operation, Correction
New, Positive Experience**

Glossary:

<https://laxlife.ca/appendix/>