

Unit 2

Physical and Physiological Demands of Performance

2.1 Physical fitness

- discuss the difference between health- and performance-related fitness

2.2 Health-related fitness

- define the components of health-related fitness: cardio-respiratory endurance, muscular endurance, strength, flexibility and body composition

2.3 Performance-related fitness

- define the components of performance-related fitness: agility, balance, co-ordination, power, speed and reaction time

2.4 Application of health- and performance-related components of fitness

- examine the extent to which different components are important in selected physical activities
- research ways in which health- and performance-related fitness can be developed in a demanding practice context
- design a combined approach to health-related and performance-related fitness training

2.5 Assessment of health- and performance-related components of physical fitness

- design a fitness test battery for a physical activity based on an analysis of the fitness demands
- evaluate the principles of training from a performance perspective
- apply the FITT formula to each component of physical fitness

2.6 Designing a fitness plan

- compare different methods of physical fitness training in the context of the three selected activities
- discuss approaches to training in the activity and outside the activity

	• use fitness test data to design a physical fitness programme for a selected activity • suggest strategies to support recovery and adaptation following competition/performance and training 2.7 Psychological preparation • discuss how psychological factors such as confidence, anxiety, motivation, concentration, and feedback impact practice and performance • evaluate strategies to enhance confidence, motivation, and concentration before, during, and after practice/performance • discuss different types of feedback and their importance • analyse strategies to improve mental preparedness before, during, and after practice/performance • design a personal action plan, including rationale, to support a positive psychological disposition before, during, and after performance • Diet and nutrition • examine the nutritional considerations for before, during and after performance in physical activity • discuss the importance of hydration in different physical activities and settings • discuss the role and challenges of using sports supplements, including sports drinks, in physical activity • Analyze the role and relative contribution of the energy systems in relation to duration, intensity and type of activity • explain how an understanding of the different energy systems can inform preparation for practice, performance and recovery • design a dietary plan, including a rationale, for one selected physical activity.
Unit 1 Skilled Performance and Biomechanics	1.1 Defining a skilled performance • Identify the characteristics of a skilled performance. • Discuss the difference between skill and ability. 1.2 Analysing skill and technique

Unit 4

Planning for optimum performance

- Analyse selected skills and techniques from the following perspectives:
 - Biomechanical: planes and axes, levers.
 - Movement: vectors and scalars, Newton's laws of motion.
 - Quality/effectiveness: economy of movement, creative application of skill.

1.3 Skill acquisition

- Outline the stages of learning a new skill.
- Describe how skills are learned effectively.
- Design practice schedules incorporating the principles of effective practices and a variety of practice methods.

.1 Personal performance analysis

- examine the different factors that influence personal performance in physical activity and sport

4.2 Methods of Analysis

- identify appropriate methods of analysing different aspects of performance
- skill and technique
- structures and strategies
- choreography
- performance-related fitness
- psychological preparedness
- use a selection of tools, including video and analysis software to
- analyse their own and others' performances

4.3 Aesthetic and artistic considerations

- compare their personal performance to that of a more skilled/model performer
- identify four areas from their performance which require further development

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• identify the artistic and/or aesthetic criteria of performance• compare different physical activities in terms of the aesthetic and/or artistic criteria• evaluate personal and/or group performance from artistic and/or aesthetic perspectives |
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4.4 Planning for optimum Performance

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• explain how information from their performance analysis was used to inform planning to achieve performance goals• present performance goals to address areas for improvement• design a practice/training plan to improve personal performance in relation to performance goals• provide evidence on the effectiveness of the programme design in achieving the performance goals |
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