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RETURN TO THROWING PROGRAM – 6 WEEKS

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Guidelines:

- Complete a warm-up lap around the field before each step.
- All throws completed to tolerance.
- Rest a minimum of 10 seconds before each throw.
- Rest a minimum of 5 minutes between each set.
- Stretch following throwing session and ice shoulder/elbow x 20 minutes.

Warm-up:

• Warm-up properly – start with a 10 minute dynamic warm-up.

Rules of Soreness:

- Allow at least one day of rest between each throwing session.
- If sore during warm-up, but soreness resolves within the first 15 throws, repeat previous throwing session. If soreness develops again during session, stop the throwing session and take two full rest days. Upon returning to throwing, begin with the previous step.
- If sore for more than 1 hour after throwing or sore of the next day, take 1 rest day then repeat the most recent throwing session.



	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	REST	Warm-up	REST	Warm up	REST	Warm up	REST
WEEK 1		25 throws	Thrower's	25 throws	Thrower's	25 throws	Thrower's
		60ft.	Ten	60ft.	Ten	60ft.	Ten
	REST	Warm-up	REST	Warm up	REST	Warm up	REST
WEEK 2		25 throws	Thrower's	25 throws	Thrower's	25 throws	Thrower's
		60ft.	Ten	60ft.	Ten	60ft.	Ten
	REST	Warm up	REST	Warm up	REST	Warm up	REST
		25 throws	Thrower's	25 throws	Thrower's	25 throws	Thrower's
WEEK 3		60ft.	Ten	60ft.	Ten	60ft.	Ten
		Rest 5		Rest 5		Rest 5	
		minutes		minutes		minutes	
		25 throws		25 throws 60		25 throws	
		60 ft.		ft.		60 ft.	
	REST	Warm up	REST	Warm up	REST	Warm up	REST
		25 throws	Thrower's	25 throws	Thrower's	25 throws	Thrower's
WEEK 4		60ft.	Ten	60ft.	Ten	60ft.	Ten
		Rest 5		Rest 5		Rest 5	
		minutes		minutes		minutes	
		25 throws		25 throws 90		25 throws	
		90 ft.		ft.		90 ft.	
	REST	Warm up	REST	Warm up	REST	Warm up	REST
WEEK 5		25 throws	Thrower's	25 throws	Thrower's	25 throws	Thrower's
		90ft.	Ten	90ft.	Ten	90ft.	Ten
		Rest 5		Rest 5		Rest 5	
		minutes		minutes		minutes	
		25 throws		25 throws 90		25 throws	
		90 ft.		ft.		90 ft.	
	REST	Warm up	REST	Warm up	REST	Warm up	REST
WEEK 6		25 throws	Thrower's	25 throws	Thrower's	25 throws	Thrower's
		90ft.	Ten	90ft.	Ten	90ft.	Ten
		Rest 5		Rest 5		Rest 5	
		minutes		minutes		minutes	
		25 throws		25 throws 120		25 throws	
		120 ft.		ft.		120 ft.	