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Ankle Instability

ACUTE PHASE AND RETURN TO ACTIVITY

- Neuromuscular Control and Balance Training
 - Proprioceptive training
 - Balance training
 - BAPS board
 - Seated → standing
 - Single leg stance
 - Wobble board
 - De-stabilization device training
 - Step and hold
 - Plyometrics progression
 - Shuttle press: DL \rightarrow alternating \rightarrow SL
 - Drop jump
 - Foot intrinsics strengthening

• Therapeutic Exercise

- Band strengthening
- Ankle proprioceptive neuromuscular facilitation diagonals
- Heel rise: $DL \rightarrow SL$
- Hip abductors/extensors
- Single leg squat
- Trampoline training
- Hop training
- Manual Therapy

RETURN TO SPORT PHASE

- Neuromuscular Control and Balance Training
 - Single leg calf raises (double leg, eccentrics, single leg)
 - Toe walking
 - Triple extension exercises
 - Hop training
 - Single leg drop jumps
 - Single leg stance (firm -> foam -> dynamic -> perturbations -> cognitive tasks -> eyes closed)



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• Therapeutic Exercise

- Resisted inversion/eversion in end range plantarflexion (ankle weights, TheraBand)
- DL/SL heels rises with TheraBand (pull ankle into inversion/eversion)
- Single leg squats
- Hip abductors/extensors
- RDL's
- Planks

• Agility and Sport Specific Exercises

- Lateral shuffling
- Carioca
- Figure 8 drills
- Cone drills
- Back pedal
- Multi-directional hops
- Ladder drills
- Resisted jogging
- Drop counter jumps
- Change of direction drills