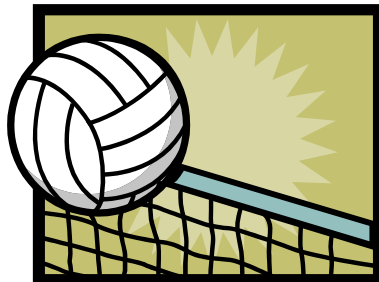
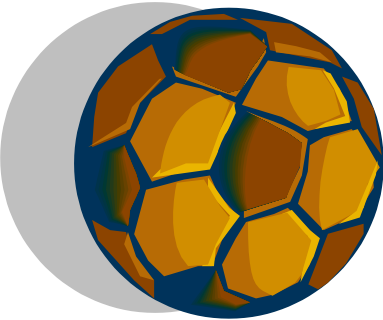


# Level 2 BTEC in Sport



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# Fitness Components

## Physical Fitness Components

1. **Aerobic Endurance** – also known as *Cardiorespiratory Fitness, Cardiorespiratory Endurance or Aerobic Fitness*.

Definition: “the ability of the cardiorespiratory system to work efficiently, supplying nutrients and oxygen to working muscles during sustained physical activity.”

**Cardiorespiratory System = Cardiovascular System + Respiratory System**  
(Heart, blood and blood vessels) (Lungs and airways)

2. **Muscular Strength**

Definition: “the maximum force (in kg or N) that can be generated by a muscle or muscle group.”

3. **Muscular Endurance**

Definition: “the ability of the muscular system to work efficiently, where a muscle can continue contracting over a period of time against a light to moderate fixed resistance load.”

4. **Flexibility**

Definition: “having an adequate range of motion in all joints of the body; the ability to move a joint fluidly through its complete range of movement.”

Static stretching – passive active & assisted (PNF)

Dynamic stretching - ballistic

5. **Body Composition**

Definition: “the relative ratio of fat mass to fat-free mass (vital organs, muscle, bone) in the body.”

6. **Speed**

Definition: “distance divided by time taken. Speed is measured in metres per second (m/s). The faster an Athlete runs over a given distance, the greater their speed”

**3 Types of Speed** - accelerative, pure speed and speed endurance.

### **Skill Related Fitness Components**

#### **1. Agility**

Definition: “the ability to quickly and precisely move or change direction without losing balance or time.”

#### **2. Balance**

Definition: “the ability to maintain centre of mass over a base of support.”

Two types of Balance: Static (headstand) Dynamic (Cartwheel)

#### **3. Co-ordination**

Definition: “the smooth flow of movement needed to perform a motor task efficiently and accurately.”

#### **4. Power**

Definition: “the product of strength and speed.”

#### **5. Reaction Time**

Definition: “the time taken to respond to a stimulus and the initiation of response.”

### **Fitness Tests**

#### **Aerobic Endurance:**

- Multi-Stage Fitness Test (Bleep Test)
- 12 Minute Cooper Run
- Forestry Step Test
- Definition of VO<sub>2</sub> max: the maximum amount of oxygen uptake. Measured in ml of Oxygen per kg of body mass per minute.

## **Muscular Strength:**

- Dynamometer (Grip) & (Hand/Back) (KgW) or (N)
- 1 Rep Max (kgs)

## **Flexibility:**

- Sit and Reach Test (cm or inches)

## **Agility**

- Illinois agility run test (secs)

## **Anaerobic Power**

- Vertical jump test (cm)

## **Speed**

- 35m sprint (secs)

## **Muscular Endurance**

- One minute press-up, One minute sit-up (reps in a minute)

## **Body Composition**

- Body Mass Index (BMI) (usually measured in kg/m<sup>2</sup>)
- Bioelectrical Impedance Analysis (BIA), used for prediction of % body fat
- Skinfold testing via the Jackson-Pollock nomogram method for prediction of percent body fat.
  - 1) Sites for males – chest, abdominal and thigh.
  - 2) Sites for females – triceps, suprailiac and thigh.

## **Why Fitness test?**

- Gives baseline data for monitoring/improving performance
- Helps to design training programmes and see if working
- Results can give performer something to aim for – goal setting.

## **Requirements for Fitness Testing**

- Pre-Test – informed consent and calibration of equipment
- Knowledge of standard test methods
- Accurate measurement and recording
- Safely select appropriate test

- Reliability – fitness test results should be consistent.
- Validity – are results are true reflection of what you are measuring.
- Practicality – is about how easy it is to carry out the test (cost).

### Exercise Intensity

- Intensity: be able to measure heart rate (HR) and apply HR intensity to fitness training methods.
- Target Zones and Training Thresholds:
- HR Max = 220 – Age
- 60-85% HR Max is training zone for Aerobic Endurance
- Borg's Rating of Perceived Exertion (RPE) 6-20
- RPE x 10 = HR (bpm)
- Application of FITT Principles to Training Methods

#### Calculating Training Zone (60-85%)

$$\text{Max HR} \times 0.6 = ? \text{ (60\%)}$$

$$\text{Max HR} \times 0.85 = ? \text{ (85\%)}$$

### Principles of Training

The **BASIC** principle of training is **FITT**.

- Frequency – number of sessions over a period of time.
- Intensity – how hard an individual will train.
- Time – how long an individual will train.
- Type – how an individual will train by selecting a training method to improve a specific component of fitness.

There are seven **ADDITIONAL** principles of training.

- Progressive Overload - training needs to be demanding enough to cause the body to adapt.
- Specificity – training should be specific to the needs of the sport/position.

- Individual Needs/Differences – the programme should be designed to meet individual training goals and needs.
- Adaptation – how the body reacts to training loads by increasing its ability to cope with these loads.
- Reversibility – if training stops, or the intensity of training is not sufficient to cause adaptation, training effects are reversed.
- Variation – vary the training regime to avoid boredom.
- Rest and Recovery – are required so that the body can recover from the training and allow adaptation to occur.

## **Fitness Training Methods**

### **Flexibility Training:**

- Static – Active and Passive stretching.
- Ballistic – the performer makes fast jerky movements through complete range of motion.
- Proprioceptive Neuromuscular Facilitation (PNF) – performed with the help of a partner. Muscle is stretched to upper limit of its range of movement and then held there with partners help. Inhibits stretch reflex.

### **Circuit Training:**

- Different stations/exercises are used to develop strength, muscular endurance and power.
- Use different muscle groups to avoid fatigue.

### **Weight Training**

- Use of Barbells and Dumb-bells
- Strength = (low reps and high loads)
- Endurance = (high reps and low loads)
- To judge intensity you must know % 1 Repetition Maximum (1 RM)
- Strength Endurance (50-60% of 1RM and 20 reps)
- Elastic Strength (75% of 1RM and 12 reps)
- Maximum Strength (90% of 1RM and 6 reps)

### **Plyometric Training**

- Develops sport-specific explosive power
- Exercises include: lunging, bounding, hopping and jumping.
- Used by sprinters, hurdlers and basketball players.

### **Continuous Training**

- Improves Aerobic Endurance
- Steady pace at moderate intensity
- Minimum 30 minutes

### Fartlek Training

- Improves Aerobic Endurance
- Intensity is varied by running at different speeds or over different terrain.
- Training is continuous with no rest period.

### Interval Training

- Periods of work followed by periods of rest.
- Can improve Aerobic Endurance or Speed.
- Depending on intensity and rest time – can be changed.

### Speed Training

- Hollow Sprints – a series of sprints separated by a “hollow” period of jogging or walking.
- Acceleration Sprints – pace is gradually increased from a standing or rolling start to jogging then striding then maximum pace.

## Linking Examples

<u>Sport</u>	<u>Component of Fitness</u>	<u>Method of Training</u>	<u>Fitness Test</u>
Marathon running	Aerobic endurance	Continuous training	Multi stage fitness test
Weight lifter	Muscular strength	Weight training	Leg/back dynamometer
100 metres	Speed	Interval training	35 metre sprint
Football (centre mid)	Muscular endurance	Circuit training	1 min press up test
Gymnastics	Flexibility	Flexibility training	Sit & reach
High jump	Power	Plyometric training	Vertical jump