

Championship Long Jump

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- IDENTIFYING TALENT
- TECHNIQUE
 - > Approach and Runway
 - > TAKEOFF
 - AIR MECHANICS
 - > THE LANDING
- > JUMP TRAINING
- > SPEED TRAINING
- COMPETITION WARM-UP
- MY PHILOSOPHY

Our Focus

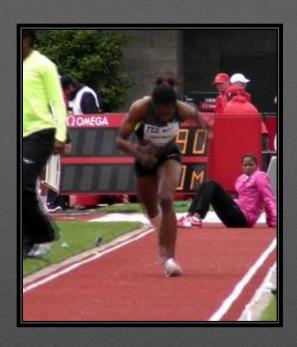
- ALWAYS LOOK FOR ATHLETES WITH SPEED AND COORDINATION
- START COORDINATION TRAINING EARLY!
- ENCOURAGE MULTI-EVENTS



Identify Talent

- > LENGTH
 - > 12 TO 18 STEPS
- > RHYTHM
 - > 3 Phases
 - Push-Push-Lift-Lift-Turnover-Turnover-Turnover

- START POSITIONS
 - > STANDING
 - > TAKE SOME STEPS
 - SKIP INTO THE RUN
- Push Phase
 - PURPOSE IS TO CREATE INERTIA
 - > SHOULDERS IN FRONT OF HIPS
 - FULL BODY LEAN WITH FULL OR TRIPLE EXTENSION



- LIFT PHASE
 - > Push phase will transition into the lift phase
 - > HIPS LIFT INTO POSITION, TO CREATE GOOD KNEE LIFT
 - ➤ IT SHOULD TAKE A FEW STEPS TO LIFT UP INTO A GOOD UPRIGHT POSITION



- TURNOVER PHASE
 - GOOD UP RIGHT RUNNING POSITION AND CLOSE TO TOP SPEED
 - ▶ 6 TO 8 STEPS OUT FROM THE BOARD
 - > This is where visual steering starts
 - Increase arm cadence and accelerate through the board
 - FOOT JUST BEHIND THE BOARD

- PENULTIMATE STEP
 - SECOND TO LAST STEP
 - SLIGHTLY LOWER HIPS
 - LAND DORSI-FLEXED AND FLAT FOOTED
 - NO EXTRA BEND IN LEG
 - KEEP IT VERY SUBTLE
- > TAKE OFF STEP
 - Last step slightly shorter than the rest
 - LAND DORSI-FLEXED AND FLAT FOOTED

Takeoff

- > THE TAKEOFF IS A PUSHING ACTION
 - FULL OR TRIPLE EXTENSION IN TAKE OFF LEG
 - GOOD KNEE SEPARATION
- > DRIVE KNEE
 - PARALLEL TO GROUND AND PERPENDICULAR TO UPPER BODY
 - FOOT DORSI-FLEXED AND UNDER KNEE
- > SINGLE ARM PUNCHING ACTION

Takeoff

- MINIMIZE FORWARD ROTATION
- > 3 METHODS
 - > Hold
 - > HANG
 - > HITCH KICK

Air Mechanics

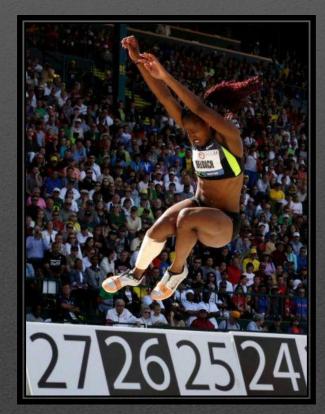
- STRETCH LEGS AND HANDS OUT IN FRONT
- PUT ON THE PANTS
- HANDS ON THE OUTSIDE
- BACK OF HEELS HIT THE SAND FIRST
- LEGS SHOULD COLLAPSE
- > BUTT LANDS SLIGHTLY OFF TO ONE SIDE
- HEAD STAYS IN A NEUTRAL POSITION

The Landing





- RUN OFF THE BOARD
- ARMS WILL BLOCK AND THEN EXTEND UP ABOVE HEAD
- DRIVE KNEE STAYS AND TAKEOFF LEG COMES UP TO MEET IT:
- SEATED POSITION
- > STRETCH THE MIDDLE OF THE JUMP
- HOLD UNTIL APPROACHING SAND



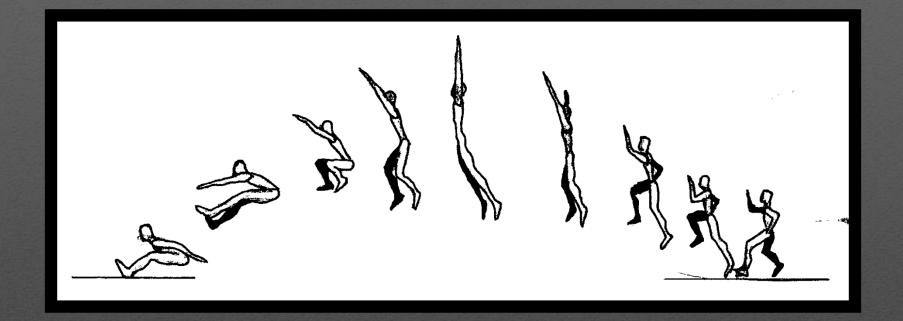
The Hold



The Hold

- RUN OFF THE BOARD
- ARMS WILL BLOCK AND THEN EXTEND UP ABOVE HEAD
- DRIVE KNEE WILL DROP DOWN AND MEET TAKEOFF LEG.
- Never Arch the Back
- FULLY EXTENDED CREATES A LONG LEVER
- > STRETCH THE MIDDLE OF THE JUMP
- KNEES COME UP INTO A SEATED POSITION WITH ARMS STILL UP

The Hang

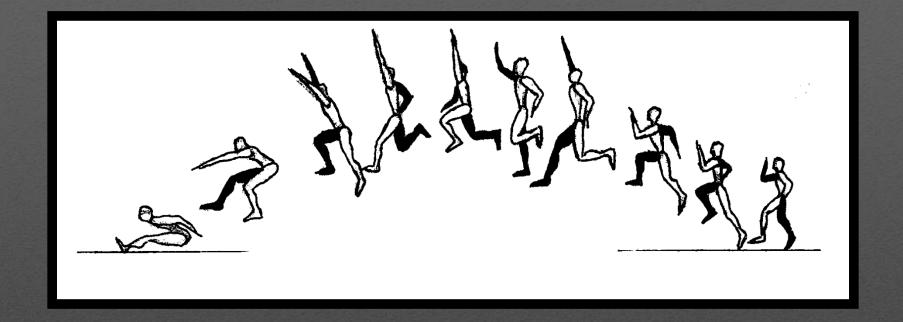


The Hang

- RUN OFF THE BOARD
- ARMS HIT A SLIGHT BLOCK
- THE ARM DRIVEN BACK WILL CYCLE AROUND BACKWARDS ONE AND A HALF TIME, ENDING EXTENDED ABOVE HEAD
- THE ARM DRIVEN FORWARD WILL STOP AND CHANGE DIRECTION,
 SWINGING BACKWARD, ENDING EXTENDED ABOVE HEAD
- THE TWO ARMS WILL MEET UP, STRETCHED ABOVE THE HEAD

- GET A GOOD KNEE DRIVE
- > THEN THE DRIVE KNEE WILL DROP DOWN AND DO A FULL CYCLE
- THE TAKE OFF LEG WILL DO A FULL CYCLE AND A HALF
- HIGH HEEL RECOVERY WHEN STEPPING OVER OPPOSITE KNEE
- WILL END UP IN THE SEATED POSITION









- HIGH INTENSITY AT ALL TIMES
- VOLUME OF JUMPS
 - DEPENDENT ON THE INDIVIDUAL AND TRAINING AGE
 - EARLY SEASON: HIGHER VOLUME
 - LATE SEASON: LOWER VOLUME
- FREQUENCY OF JUMPS
 - Some athletes will jump only in meets
 - IN SEASON, PRACTICE JUMPS ONCE A WEEK OR NOT AT ALL

Jump Training

- HIGH INTENSITY AT ALL TIMES
- ► 48-72 HOURS RECOVERY
- YOU MUST ACT AS A SPRINT COACH
 - DEVELOP PROPER MECHANICS
 - EMPHASIZE SPEED
- ACCELERATION VS. TOP SPEED

Speed Training

- ACCELERATION, TOP SPEED, RUN-THROUGHS
 - PRE-SEASON
 - FOCUS ON ACCELERATION
 - WORK ON PARTS OF THE RUN-THROUGHS
 - EARLY SEASON
 - FOCUS ON ACCELERATION AND TOP SPEED
 - PRACTICE THE WHOLE RUN-THROUGH
 - LATE SEASON
 - FOCUS ON TOP SPEED
 - I ALMOST ALWAYS DO SPEED WORK TWO DAYS OUT FROM COMPETITION

Speed Training

- ALWAYS WAKE UP AT LEAST FOUR HOURS BEFORE COMPETITION
- No static stretching within two hours of competition
- DYNAMIC WARM-UP
- DO AT LEAST TWO FULL APPROACH RUN-THROUGHS WITH POP-OFF
- DO AT LEAST TWO SHORT APPROACH JUMPS.
 - Make the last couple short approach jumps a little longer to make it feel like the real thing
 - NEVER DO FULL APPROACH JUMPS IN WARM-UP

Warm-Up for Competition

- MY COACHING PHILOSOPHY
- ➤ KEEP IT SIMPLE STUPID!
 - Don't overwhelm your athlete or yourself
 - FIND THREE THINGS AT MOST AND KEEP THOSE AS THE THEME
- ENJOY THE PROCESS!
 - \succ One step at a time,
 - ENJOY THE PROCESS,
 - ...AND THE OUTCOME SHOULD COME

KISS and Enjoy



Outcome