HOOK KICK



The Hook Kick is a kicking technique used in Gaelic football. Predominantly used to kick for a score, it is also used to pass to a team mate at an angle to the player in possession.



Hold the ball with both hands. Point shoulder towards the target.



KEY TEACHING POINTS

Release the ball into the hand at the kicking side. Step forward with non-kicking foot.









LOOK OUT FOR THESE COMMON ERRORS

- Not pointing the shoulder at the target
- Dropping the ball with the opposite hand
- Lifting the head too early



Follow through in the direction of the target with toe pointing upwards.

HOOK KICK PRACTISE THE TECHNIQUE



Players in pairs. Player A hook kicks the ball for Player B

KICK AND MOVE

to catch on the move.

PARTNER KICK Players in pairs. Each player hook kicks the ball for their partner to catch.

HOOK KICK DEVELOP THE SKILL



using hook kick.



HOOKED Divide players into two teams. Teams score when the ball is hook kicked through the goals.



KICK AND SCORE Player solos out around the cone and hook kicks the ball over the bar.

VARIATIONS

The STEP method is a simple way to vary any activity, game or drill.



- **S** vary the size of the playing area. Increasing the size can reduce the difficulty, decreasing the size can increase the intensity
- *I* alter the task that players are expected to perform. Change the skill, add in additional skills or movements or alter the rules
- alter the equipment use a bigger or smaller football, or playing against a wall may increase or decrease the challenge
- increase or decrease the number of players to vary the challenge, or introduce opposition, from token opposition to partial opposition to full opposition.

