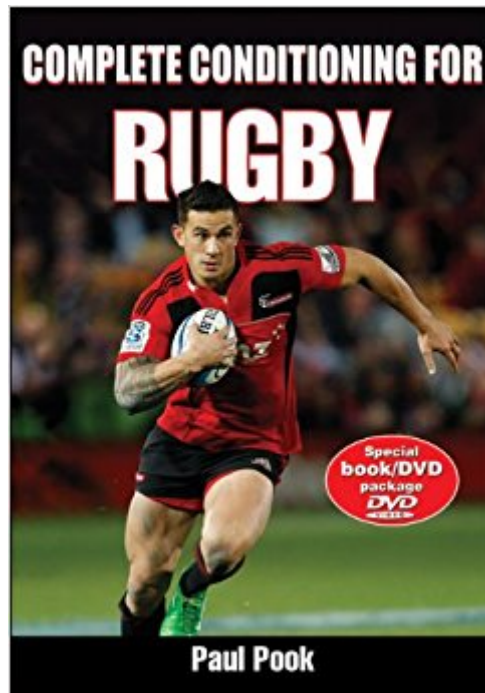




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Complete Conditioning For Rugby



Synopsis

Today's rugby players are bigger, faster and stronger than ever before. A focused conditioning programme has become essential to on-field success. Complete Conditioning for Rugby features a comprehensive training approach that builds players' physical abilities as well as the rugby-specific skills their positions require. Renowned conditioning coach and former professional player Paul Pook provides exercises, drills and programmes designed to improve the essential elements of the sport—strength, power, quickness and agility. His programmes will help you with these skills:

- Increase strength and power to win those all-important collisions.
- Improve your quickness and agility to be as elusive as the world's best.
- Develop your core stability and mobility in order to remain injury free.
- Customise your workouts to meet the demands of the position you play.

In addition, the approximately 50-minute DVD takes you into the gym to demonstrate the same exercises and drills used by the game's best. With physical assessments, nutrition advice and seasonal workouts, Complete Conditioning for Rugby will take your game to the next level.

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Paul is a pioneer and very creative in thought and constructive in execution. He will often take the lead in facilitating forums for the enhancement of team dynamics and the achievement of a more cohesive team. Paul is a very driven individual and portrays a huge desire for success and fulfilling potential. I have no hesitation in recommending Paul to your organization as a man who is passionate about rugby and sport in general and who has the skills and commitment to make a

difference.â • Andre Vos Former Springbok Captain â œI do not think I have ever seen a coach able to improvise like Paul did to get the very best out of a squad of rugby players, young and old! An excellent motivator with endless enthusiasm and a very positive outlook.â • Richard Hill Former England Captain and Director of Rugby Worcester Warriors â œComplete Conditioning for Rugby was written with ambitious rugby players and coaches in mind. It is a superb resource that will give you results.â • Stephen Ferris Ireland, British and Irish Lions â œPaul Pookâ ™s Complete Conditioning for Rugby is a must-have for any player seeking success on the field." Toby Faletau Wales, 2011 RWC Dream Team â œThe book and DVD package captures Pookâ ™s unique approach, making Complete Conditioning for Rugby the most comprehensive training resource in the sport today.â • Victor Gresev Wasps, Russia, 2011 RWC Dream Team â œPaulâ ™s comprehensive and passionate approach to player development is reflected in the content of this great book. Every coach will gain insight on developing athleticism to enhance rugby performance and build greater resistance to injury.â • Kingsley Jones Former Director of the Sale Sharks Head Coach of Russia Rugby Union

Paul Pook has worked in high-performance rugby for more than 15 years. A former professional player, Paul was Ireland's national fitness coach and part of Ireland's Grand Slam-winning coaching team. More recently, Paul was appointed head of conditioning for the Russia Rugby Union and prepared the national team for the 2011 Rugby World Cup in New Zealand. Paul has a special interest in workload management and player longevity. He recently presented at the RBS Six Nations conference in Venice on the subjects of GPS and optimising player workload and shortly afterward presented at the Italian Olympic Federation in Rome on the subject of athlete longevity. He is currently researching the application of an interactive web portal for optimising performance and preventing injury. Paul has also founded a unique residential high-performance centre in Southwest France. Catering to ambitious players and coaches, the centre contains the very latest strength and conditioning equipment, which will ensure both individuals and teams achieve their optimal fitness in order to compete at the highest level of sport.

This is a great book. The DVD that came with it is in PAL format so without a compatible player.... My fault. I did not realize this when I ordered the book. so I can only give it 4 out of 5 stars.

A strong must have book for any aspiring coach and players out there trying to take rugby practice and competition to the next level everything is well written and organized for any level of rugby.

Great book on understanding and training rugby!!!!

I am a professional coach and I bought this as a Xmas present for myself. I couldn't have chosen better

I coach a rugby 7's team & I am always looking for new ideas & methods to keep my players fresh & fit. This book gives an excellent overview of the 'how & why' of fitness specific for the game of rugby. What really made it worthwhile for me was the DVD. The visuals really help to give one an understanding of what the author must believe are the key exercises. Some of the exercises require equipment (weights et cetera as well as more specialised stuff) but even if you do not access to this there are ample ideas & systems to ensure that your players achieve the desired fitness levels.

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