555 GOLF ACADEMY

'WHERE PASSION MEETS PERFORMANCE'

PUTTING DRILLS

CIRCLE STEP DRILL

With all the myriad of 'Putting Drills', your '555 TEAM' actually uses three or four as 'Bread & Butter' teaching foundations. If you can do these few well, you can 'Putt Lights Out'!

This 'Circle Step Drill' is exactly as the name states. It is a circle with steps! So what do we mean?

You must evaluate the 'Big Picture', the entire green, before you can get micro!

First, take a look at the green from about 15 to 20 yards removed 'On Line' if you can. See and feel its 'Overall Contour'. Which way is its dominant 'Slope or Run'? Discover its 'Big Picture'!

Walk to the cup. Find the 'Zero Break' or where you can roll the ball without break. A skiing jargon that works well is to find the 'Fall Line'. Mark it with a tee at about 15 feet. You want to practice 'Dead Straight and Flat Putts' if at all possible. When you can make 6, 9, 12, 15, 18 and 21 footers, you can make your numbers come down dramatically!

Once you can make 'Straight Flat Putts', all you have to do to be a magnificent 'Putter' is to learn to be 'The Best Green Reader'!

In this 'Putting Drill Case', we want to putt on a slope but with a straight roll.

'The Circle' provides you a consistent 'Distance' with variable 'Breaks' as it is sloping. The 'Circle' is created by sticking the 'Toe Of Your Putter' in the hole and placing a tee in the ground just outside the butt of the handle. Take one big step around the circle and do this again. Repeat until you have closed the circle with about 6 or 7 tees.

Now return to your tee in the ground at about 15 feet. On this 'Zero Break Line', starting at the cup, pace out two steps to 6 feet. Stick another tee in the ground. Then at 9, 12 leading to the one at 15 feet. This is the 'Step' portion of the 'Circle Step Drill'. 'This Step' provides us with 'Consistent Line or Break' with 'Variable Distance' by which we can practice our 'Energy Management' or 'Weight'.

You know the 'One Inch Rule' so use it well. It's your friend.

You have your 'Pre-Shot Routine'. Use it as well. This is an ally too!

Work on these two distinct aspects of 'Putting' ... 'Distance and Direction' ... 'Speed and Break'. Get a reasonable handle on these easy skills and you will lower your scores.

Did you know that the average golfer who plays once a week has 'Three or Four Three Putts Per Round'? You do not want to be in that group and do not have to be!

You can make this 'Golf Silliness' even more fun!

When you are finished with your practice session, whether it be 'Full Swing', 'Course Management', 'Short Game', 'Playing 18' or whatever, never leave the golf course without doing your 'Circle Step Drill'.

Once warned up, you must go all the way around the 'Circle Step' without missing one stroke! I suggest you start at the '15 Foot Putt Step' and move in from there. You can make the first shorter if you like. Then you must go around the 'Circle' as well without a miss. You can vary the 'Circle Radius or Distance' to longer or shorter 'Putts' as you require, but do not get silly short. No point! To make a foot longer, simply reach out another twelve inches past the end of the grip.

All the way around without missing now!

This simple little innocuous 'Putting Drill' makes champions!

"Welcome Aboard!"
"Enjoy The Ride!"

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