## **Golf Injuries**

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## **Stretching for Golf**

You should always warm-up before a round of golf or a hit at the driving range. See 'Warming-up for Golf'. Regular stretching is also recommended. Here are some suggested stretches. You could include these in your warm-up, or perform them as part of a regular flexibility programme. Stretch to the point of strain, not pain, and hold each stretch gently for 30 seconds unless otherwise stated. Repeat 5 times.

1. Calves:





2. Hamstrings and back. Hold 10 seconds, keep lower back straight. Feel gentle stretch through gluts and back of thigh.



3. Quadriceps



4. Gluts. For standing glut stretch, hold 5-10 seconds.



5. Low back arching. Hold seconds



6. Low back side-bend each side. Hold 5 seconds.



7. Mid back





8. Shoulders – across body



9. Shoulders triceps.



10. Shoulders & chest



11. Neck – turn side to side, holding 5 seconds each time.



12. Neck - bend side to side and gently increase stretch with your hand. Hold 5 seconds each direction.



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