



# **SHOULDER/THORACIC SPINE MOBILITY,**



# CAT CAMEL



- 1. Start on your hands and knees on the floor (Knees under hips, hands under shoulder)**
- 2. From there, round your back and push it towards the ceiling until you feel a stretch**
- 3. Hold this position for a few seconds then return to the start position**
- 4. Arch your back slowly and press your stomach towards the floor whilst lifting your buttocks towards the ceiling**
- 5. Hold this position for a few seconds then return to the start position and repeat**



# THREAD THE NEEDLE



- 1. Start on the floor on all fours with knees under hips and hands under shoulders**
- 2. Keeping the hips square, reach your right arm underneath you as far as you can and hold for a few seconds whilst exhaling slowly**
- 3. From there, rotate your right arm around over your head and hold for a few seconds**
- 4. Repeat movement with the left arm**



# THORACIC/SHOULDER EXTENSIONS (WITH FOAM ROLLER)



- 1. Start in a kneeling position with a foam roller in front of you**
- 2. Place forearms on foam roller with thumbs facing up**
- 3. Slowly roll your arms forward until shoulders are fully extended**
- 4. Hold this position for a few seconds then return to start and repeat**



# OPEN THE BOOK



- 1. Start in a side lying position on the floor with shoulders stacked**
- 2. Reach arms out in front, keeping them in line with the shoulder**
- 3. Bend the top leg whilst keeping the bottom leg straight (foam roller can be used to support top leg)**
- 4. Keeping the hips and knees in the same position, rotate the top arm around (try touch the floor with your hand) whilst exhaling slowly**
- 5. Return to start position and repeat 5 times on each side**



# SHOULDER DISLOCATES (WITH BAND OR DOWEL)



- 1. Starting in a standing position hold the end of the resistance band in each hand**
- 2. Pull the band apart and raise arms up over head**
- 3. Continue to move arms behind your head keeping the elbows straight until your hands are behind your back**
- 4. Adjust your grip width until you can complete movement without bending your elbows**
- 5. Return to start position and repeat**