

Special Olympics Basketball Coaching Guide Teaching Basketball Skills

Passing

Skill Progression - Passing

Your Athlete Can	Never	Sometimes	Often
Attempt to pass a basketball			
Pass the ball in any manner and in any direction			
Pass the ball in any manner to an intended target			
Make a two-handed chest pass in any direction			
Make a two-handed chest pass to an intended target			
Make a bounce pass to an intended target			
Make a two-handed overhead pass to an intended target			
Make a lob pass to an intended target			
Make a baseball pass to an intended target			
Participate in team passing drills			
Totals			

Faults & Fixes Chart - Passing

Error	Correction	Drill/Test Reference
Chest pass is too soft.	Start with elbows close to your body and push your wrist and fingers through the ball.	Target Pass
Bounce pass is too high and too slow.	Start with the ball at your waist and aim for a bounce spot closer to your teammate.	Modify the Target Pass to be a Bounce Pass. Target can be on the floor for bounce or the wall for a target.
Overhead pass is too soft.	Make sure the ball is over your head and not behind it when you start.	Passing Under Pressure
Passes are off target.	First two fingers of each hand should be pointing to the target/person at the end of the pass.	Target Pass