

# Sharks and Fishes (touch)

**Objective** – To develop evasion and defensive skills

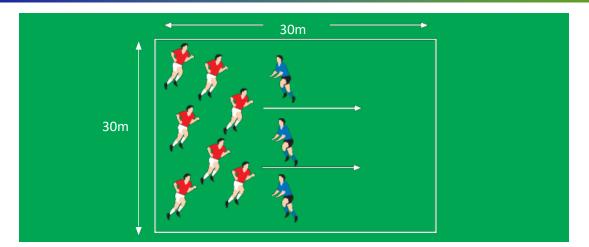
### **Equipment needed:**

- Balls: Rugby ball for each player
- Cones: 1 stack

## Suggested time allocation:

• 10 - 15 minutes

### Set-up Diagram:



### How to play:

- On the coach's call, players must run to the line opposite without being tackled by a selected defender(s)
- One tackled, the player then joins the defending team
- Attackers try to reach the opposite side of the pitch to the safe zone.
- This continues until the last attacking player has not been caught
- No more than one defender at a time should attempt to tackle any one player

### **Coaching points/Key factors:**

#### **Evasion skills**

 Side-step, change of pace, change of direction

#### **Defensive principles**

• Move forward, ready position

## **Difficulty:**

- The coach can select more defenders depending on the size/ability of the group
- The size of the area can also be increased or decreased to either allow more space or increase pressure on players
- Attacking players should all carry a ball if there is enough equipment
- Defensive principles can also be added for defending players