SHOULDER STRENGTHENING

- Perform these exercises for 10 minutes, 1-2 times per day.
- Do these exercises very slowly and with control.
- Use a 1-2 pound weight or a can of soup.

1. Internal Rotation

- With knees bent, lie on your back on a firm surface.
- Using your dumbbell lower your hand toward the floor, keeping your arm close to your side.
- Slowly return hand to upright position.

Caution: Support your head with a pillow.



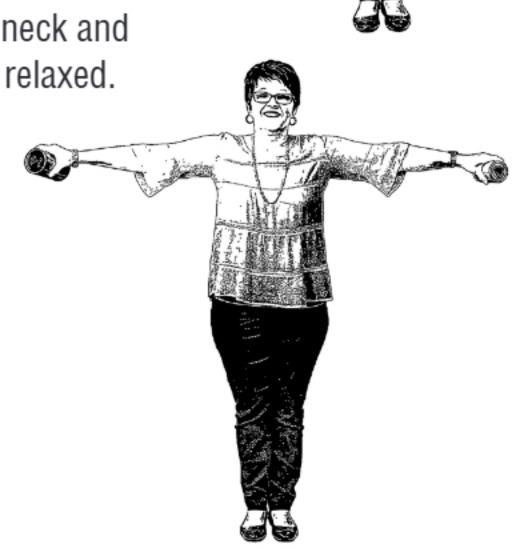
2. Side Raise

 Holding a dumbbell or soup can in each hand, stand with your arms at your sides, palms facing your body.

 Keeping your elbows straight, slowly lift your arms no higher than shoulder level.

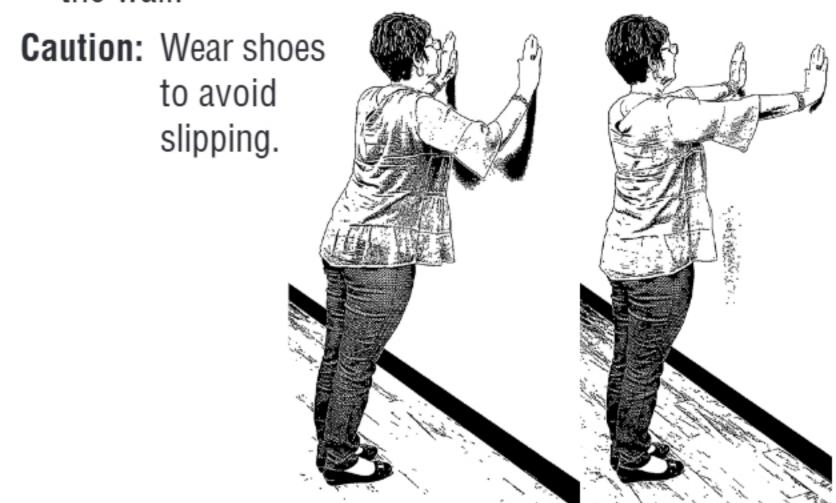
 Slowly lower your arms to starting position.





3. Wall Push-Ups

- Stand an arm's length away with your feet and hands shoulder width apart, place the palms of your hands on the wall.
- Keeping your knees straight and heels on the ground, slowly bend your elbows and lean forward as far as you comfortably can, then slowly push away from the wall.



4. External Rotation

- Lie on your side with your head supported by a pillow or your arm.
- Grasp a dumbbell or soup can with the top hand and bend your arm to a right angle (90 degrees), resting your forearm against your stomach.
- Keeping your elbow against your hip, slowly lift the dumbbell until your forearm is slightly higher than



5. Front Raise



- Stand with your palms facing down and your hands at your sides, grasp a dumbbell or soup can in each hand.
- **Slowly** raise your arm in front of your body as high as you comfortably can, keeping your back and elbow straight.
- Return slowly to the starting position.

Caution: Keep your hand in front of your body and your back straight and shoulders relaxed.

6. Ceiling Punch

 Keeping your arm straight, slowly shrug your shoulders up and down toward the ceiling, doing a straight-arm punch.

