TPI Physical Screen Results

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Screen Type TPI PHYSICAL SCREEN **TPI Certified Instructor** DR. CORI LENTZ

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Forearm Rotation

Result: A

When pronating your forearms (palms rotating down) in the Forearm Rotation Test, you have normal range of motion in both forearms. This excellent result will help you set and release the club properly throughout the golf swing.

When supinating your forearms (palms rotating up) in the Forearm Rotation Test, you have normal range of motion in both forearms. This excellent result will help you set and release the club properly throughout the golf swing.

You indicated that there was pain associated with this test. If pain occurs during a test, a consultation with a licensed medical professional is warranted to determine the cause of pain.

Setup Posture

Result:



The ability to move and control the position of the pelvis is critical for optimal power

transfer from the lower body to the upper body during the golf swing. You have too much arch in your lower back at set up. We call this position an S-Posture and it can put excessive stress on your lower back as well as cause instability in the core throughout the golf swing.

Single Leg Balance

Result:



When testing the overall balance on the right side of your body, you are able stand on your right leg with your eyes closed for 0-5 seconds before having to open your eyes or losing your balance. Elite level golfers can maintain balance for over 16 seconds. This reduced balance on your right side can limit your ability to load into your right side or cause you to lose stability during the backswing.

When testing the overall balance on the left side of your body, you are able stand on your left leg with your eyes closed for 0-5 seconds before having to open your eyes or losing your balance. Elite level golfers can maintain balance for over 16 seconds. This reduced balance on your left side can limit your ability to post into your left side or cause you to avoid your left side during the downswing.

Pelvic Tilt Result:

The Pelvic Tilt Test assesses overall mobility of the hips and the lumbar spine as well as the ability to control the position of the pelvic posture. The ability to move and control the position of the pelvis is critical for optimal power transfer from the lower body to the upper body during the golf swing.

You can properly perform a standing Pelvic Tilt which demonstrates good mobility in your hips and lumbar spine and good control of the muscles that help position the pelvis during the golf swing. This should help you orientate your pelvis into a powerful position in order to help stabilize and transfer the large rotary forces used to fire the upper body during the golf swing.

Although you can perform the Pelvic Tilt Test, the movement quality itself shows perturbation or what we call a "shake and bake" nature to the movement. This indicates that you have poor motor control for the orientation of the pelvis.

Torso Rotation Result:

The Torso Rotation Test checks your ability to rotate the upper body independent of the lower body. This is an important skill needed for properly sequencing the backswing, generating a good separation or coil during the backswing and for rotating the upper body around the lower body through impact and follow through. This movement requires good mobility of the thoracic spine and simultaneous stability of the lower body.

You have difficulty rotating your upper body around your lower body to the right. This can cause your lower body to move excessively or out of sequence during the backswing and restrict your ability to coil and load the spine during the backswing. This can lead to excessive lateral sway during the backswing, loss of trunk posture during the backswing (Flat Shoulder Plane or Early Extension) and potentially Overthe-Top during the downswing.

However, when your lower body was stabilized by virtue of having your pelvis held still, your torso rotation improved while turning to the right. This may be indicative of a stability issue in your lower body. This can cause your lower body to move excessively or out of sequence during the backswing and restrict your ability to coil and load the spine during the backswing, thus reducing overall coil and loading.

Pelvic Rotation

Result:

The Pelvic Rotation Test checks your ability to rotate the lower body independent of the upper body. This is an important skill needed for properly sequencing the downswing and to allow for a good separation between the upper and lower body. This movement requires good mobility of the spine, hips and pelvis, along with simultaneous stability of the thorax.

You are able to properly rotate your lower body independent of your upper body. This is a great result and will help you initiate the downswing with a proper sequence and generate a better coil between your upper and lower body.

Overhead Deep Squat

Result:

The Overhead Deep Squat Test is one of the most informative tests that can be performed on a golfer. We have found several correlations between this test and the golf swing through research at the Titleist Performance Institute. If a golfer is unable

to perform a full deep squat with their heels on the ground, it is almost impossible to maintain posture during the downswing. We usually see these golfers thrust their lower bodies towards the golf ball and raise their torsos up during the downswing (Early Extension). This is usually due to either tightness in their calf muscles and/or lack of pelvic stability due to weakness in their core.

We also see a strong correlation between players standing up out of their posture during the backswing (Loss of Posture/Flat Shoulder Plane) when golfers can't squat with the dowel over their heads. The Loss of Posture is usually due to limitations in mobility of their Lat muscles and thoracic spines.

Your test result is exceptional, as it is easy for you to perform a full deep squat while keeping your heels on the ground and a golf club over your foot print.

You do a great job of evenly distributing your weight between your right and left side during routine movements, like performing a squat.

Toe Touch Result:

The Toe Touch Test is a great test for overall mobility in the lower back and hamstrings. Additionally, it can help identify a hip issue versus a lower back/core limitation.

You have great flexibility in your forward bend mechanics. In other words, you can bend forward and touch your toes with your knees locked. Believe it or not, this is a big plus in the golf swing since it allows you to get into a good set up posture by bending from the hips while not modifying your spine posture.

90/90 Result:

The total external rotation in your right shoulder is over 90 degrees while standing tall which is excellent (PGA TOUR average is over 90 degrees). This range of motion should allow you to set the club and rotate your right arm into any position that you want during the backswing.

You maintain the same degree of external rotation in your right shoulder when in golf posture (which is good). Some people tend to lose range of motion in their shoulder when bending from the waist due to lack of stability in their shoulder blades.

The total external rotation in your left shoulder is over 90 degrees while standing tall which is excellent (PGA TOUR average is over 90 degrees). This range of motion should allow you to rotate your left arm properly through impact and the follow through.

You maintain the same degree of external rotation in your left shoulder when in golf posture (which is good). Some people tend to lose range of motion in their shoulder when bending from the waist due to lack of stability in their shoulder blades.

Lat Test Result:

As a right handed golfer, any limitation in the right Lat muscle group or right shoulder girdle can affect your ability to rotate the trunk around the lower body past impact. It can also cause the right arm to become restricted through your finish.

You have over 170 degrees of flexion in your right shoulder. This is an excellent result, as normal range of motion on the PGA TOUR is over 170 degrees.

As a right handed golfer, any limitation in the left Lat muscle group or left shoulder girdle can lead to a loss of spinal posture as the arms are elevated during the backswing. This limitation can also restrict the overall shoulder turn during the backswing.

You have over 170 degrees of flexion in your left shoulder. This is an excellent result, as normal range of motion on the PGA TOUR is over 170 degrees.

Lower Quarter Rotation Result:

The Lower Quarter Rotation Test measures rotational mobility of both the left and right lower extremities (this includes the hips, knees and ankles) in the backswing to determine if there may be an increased chance of excess lateral motion (Sway) or Loss of Posture.

When turning in the same direction as your backswing, you have normal range of motion in both lower extremities. This will help you rotate and maintain a stable posture on the backswing as opposed to a Sway.

The Lower Quarter Rotation Test measures rotational mobility of both the left and right lower extremities (this includes the hips, knees and ankles) in the downswing to

determine if there may be an increased chance of excessive or reduced lateral motion (Slide or Hang Back) or Loss of Posture.

When turning in the same direction as your downswing, you have normal rotation on your right (trail) lower extremity and normal rotation on your left (lead) lower extremity. This will help you rotate and maintain a stable posture on the downswing as opposed to a Slide.

Seated Trunk Rotation

Result:



In the backswing direction (to the right), you have excellent rotational mobility of the thoraco-lumbar spine of over 45 degrees which matches the PGA TOUR average. This mobility will help you obtain a full shoulder turn and maintain a good stable posture during your backswing.

In the downswing direction (to the left), you have excellent rotational mobility of the thoraco-lumbar spine of over 45 degrees which matches the PGA TOUR average. This mobility will help you obtain a full shoulder turn through impact and maintain a good stable posture during your swing.

Bridge with Leg Extension

Result:



The right side Bridge with Leg Extension Test shows that you have good strength and stability in your right glute muscles. This will help you maintain good lower body stability in the backswing and power on the downswing.

The left side Bridge with Leg Extension Test shows that you have good strength and stability in your left glute muscles. This will help you maintain good lower body stability during the downswing.

Cervical Rotation

Result:



The right side Cervical Rotation Test indicates that you have great right rotation and flexion in your neck. Normal range of motion is over 70 degrees. This mobility will help you maintain your posture during the downswing and should help you fully rotate your shoulders through impact.

The left side Cervical Rotation Test indicates that you have great left rotation and flexion in your neck. Normal range of motion is over 70 degrees This mobility will help you achieve a complete shoulder turn during the backswing and maintain a stable head posture.

Wrist Hinge Result:

In the Wrist Hinge Test, you have a good hinge up (radial deviation) in both wrists. This excellent result will help you set the club properly during the swing and assist in delaying the release of the club on the downswing, improving overall speed at impact.

In the Wrist Hinge Test, you have a good hinge down (ulnar deviation) in both wrists. This excellent result will help you release the club properly during the swing.

Wrist Flexion/Extension

Result:

In the Wrist Flexion Test, you have normal range of motion when flexing (bowing) both wrists. This excellent result will help you maintain a square clubface as you set and release the club throughout the swing.

In the Wrist Extension Test, you have normal range of motion when extending (cupping) both wrists. This excellent result will help you set and release the club properly throughout the swing.

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