

Setting & Attacking the Step Around 61



Pre-contact phase

At the moment of initiating the approach, the attacker has <u>already identified the trajectory of the pass</u> and has recognized that the setter is in a good position to run the step-around.

1. The attacker has already taking a left step to initiate movement and their right foot is now down. The **attacker is past the position of the setter** before the setter makes contact with the ball.

The setter is neutral in their normal ready-to-set position and nothing indicates that they will set the 61 step-around.

- 2. The attacker picks-up speed as they start taking a **<u>big left step</u>** at a 45-degree angle with the net. The setter is still in neutral position with the **<u>ball is in line with the forehead</u>**.
- 3. The attacker takes their <u>takeoff step with the left foot as the setter contacts the ball</u>. The setter's contact point is high, with minimal elbow bend. The <u>ball is in line with the forehead</u>. The setter's <u>body position is</u> <u>neutral</u> prior to contact, with no arch in the back. (In this photo the setter has a small arch in the back)
- The left arm leads the one-foot jump as the <u>right leg lifts quickly to create height</u>. The right arm gets ready to hit.
 As a follow through, the setter's <u>head tips backward and the upper back arches</u>. The fingers are pointing backwards.
- 5. The left arm is tucked in to the side of the body and the right leg is straightened causing a rotation towards the inside of the court.

Contact phase

6. The attacker's right arm **swings at the ball as it extends**. The left arm is completely tucked in and the body is straight at contact. The attacker has decided to hit cross-court so **their shoulders are facing the cross-court**.

Post-contact phase

- 7. The **right arm follows through in the direction of the hit**. The contraction of the abdominal muscles during the hit causes the body to crunch forward. Meanwhile, the attacker is still drifting towards the outside of the court.
- 8. The attacker lands safely on the sideline with both feet, without touching the net, and gets back into blocking position.