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THE COMPARISON OF SOME PHYSICAL FITNESS FOR INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM ATHLETES

ABSTRACT

The aim of this correlation study is putting forward the physical fitness level differences among elite athletes age vary between 12 and 14, participated both in individual and team sports living in zmir. Participants of the individual sports are 28 female and 47 male athletes while participants of the team sports are 86 female and 113 male athletes. The physical fitness level evaluated by, muscle strength (hand-grip, sit and reach test, cardiovascular endurance (1 mil cooper test) velocity (30 m sprint, body composition body mass index,(BMI). The t-test statistical analysis was conducted to provide the possible differences between groups.

The results shows that there are significant differences between females participants of team and individual sport according to the flexibility and 1609 m endurance test, two feet steady long jump, 30 m sprint, and body mass index level (p< .05). Results also shows that the physical performance level of females who participated in team sports are higher than females participants of individual sports. Additionally result revealed that, male elite athletes participants of team sports have higher physical fitness level than male elite athletes participants of individual sports. According to the t-test results there is no significant differences between flexibility and 1609 m endurance run test between elite level male athletes, although there is significant differences were found according to the both left and right hand grip, shuttle run test, two feet steady long jump, 30 m sprint, and body mass index.

Key Words: Sport, Physical Fitness, Individual Sport, Team Sport

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ÖZET

Bu ara tırmanın amacı zmir ili ya aralı ı 12–14 ya olan bireysel ve takım sporu yapan elit kız sporcular ve erkek sporcuların fiziksel uygunluklarının kar ıla tırılmasıdır. Çalı maya bireysel spor yapan 28 kız, 47 erkek ve takım sporu yapan 86 kız, 113 erkek olmak üzere toplam 274 sporcu katılmı tır. Sporcuların fiziksel uygunluk özellikleri, Kassal kuvvet; (el kavrama kuvveti ve durarak uzun atlama), Kassal dayanıklılık; (mekik, Esneklik; otur-eri testi), kardiyovasküler dayanıklılık; (1 mil ko -yürü testi), sürat; (30 m hız ko usu) ve beden kompozisyonu Beden Kitle ndeksi (BK) ile de erlendirilmi tir. Verilerin çözümlenmesinde ba ımsız gruplarda t testi kullanılmı tır.

Ara tırmanın sonucunda bireysel ve takım kız sporcularda fiziksel performansları açısından esneklik ve 1609 metre dayanıklılık ko u testleri arasında anlamlı bir farklılık bulunmazken (p<0.0), mekik testi, durarak uzun atlama, 30 metre hız ko usu ve beden kitle indeksi arasında farklılık bulunmu tur (p<0.0). Fiziksel performansları de erlendirildi inde, takım sporları yapan kızlara göre daha yüksek performans de erlerine sahip oldukları görülmektedir. Takım sporu yapan elit erkek sporcuların genel olarak fiziksel performanslarında bireysel sporlarına göre daha yüksek performans de erlerine sahip oldu u ortaya çıkmı tır. Ba ımsız gruplar için yapılan t testi sonucunda bireysel ve takım erkek sporcularda fiziksel performansları açısından esneklik ve 1609 metre dayanıklılık ko u testleri arasında farklılık bulunmazken (p>0.05) sa el kavrama kuvveti, sol el kavrama kuvveti, mekik testi, durarak uzun atlama, 30 metre sprint ve benden kitle indeksi de erleri arasında farklılık bulunmu tur (p<0.05).

Anahtar Kelimeler: Spor, Fiziksel Uygunluk, Bireysel spor, Takım Sporu

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INTRODUCTION

Physical fitness is the capacity of an individual. This depends on one's strength, endurance, coordination, velocity and these elements work together. This refers to performance of movements correctly and the status of current condition of the body in relation to the physical durability Lyttle at all.,1996; Zorba and Saygın,2009). Mathews defines physical fitness as the capacity of making a given task by muscular effort(Mathews,1973).

Heart- respiratory system resistance includes muscular endurance, muscle strength, speed, flexibility, agility, balance, reaction time and body composition. These qualities are called performance-related physical fitness and health-related physical fitness as they have different importance in terms of sportive performance and health(Fox,Bowers,Foss.,1999; Özer,2001).

Sportive performance includes aerobicanaerobic power, strength, endurance and flexibility. It includes coordination, reaction time and agility in the extent of physical fitness. It includes physical structure, height, weight, motor capacity in the extent of ability. It includes individual's personality, needs, motivation etc. It consists of psychological and behavioural dimensions psychological including characteristics(Yücetürk, 1995). Sportive performance on elite level requires technical and tactical skills and personal abilities in addition to good conditional status(Bilge ve ark., 2000). In order to achieve a high level of athletic efficiency and high level of success in any sport branch, both hereditary and acquired skills and characteristics of individual individuals engaged in sport branch must be adequate and proper(Dündar, 1996).

With training made regularly in sport branches and based on scientific basis, intensity of load, muscle strength, durability, speed and flexibility increases and body composition is maintained (Kılıç,2008). Considering struggling time, necessity to play quickly and accurately in team sports

and individual sports, the necessity of basic motoric skills arises such as force, speed, mobility and coordination features in both groups (Koç and ark., 2010).

The aim of this correlation study is putting forward the physical fitness level differences among elite athletes age vary between 12 and 14, participated both in individual and team sports living in zmir.

METHOD

Participants of the individual sports are 28 female and 47 male athletes while participants of the team sports are 86 female and 113 male athletes and 274 The physical athletes in total in zmir. fitness level evaluated by, muscle strength (hand-grip, sit and reach cardiovascular endurance (1 mil cooper test) velocity (30 m sprint) and body composition body mass index, (BMI). The ttest statistical analysis was conducted to provide the possible differences between

274 athletes in total participated in this research; 28 female (21 athletics, 6 swimming, 1 taekwondo), 47 male (21 athletics, 13 swimming, 13 taekwondo) who are participants of individual sport and 86 female (20 basketball, 40 volleyball, 26 handball), 113 male (43 football, basketball, 29 volleyball, 14 handball)who are participants of team sports and age vary between 12-14. The tests in which the characteristics of physical fitness of athletes are chosen, muscle strength (hand grip strength, steady long jump), muscular endurance (shuttle, flexibility, sit and reach test), cardiovascular endurance (1 mile cooper test) and speed(30 m sprint) are evaluated.

Measurements and tests done to determine flexibility, muscle strength and body composition were performed at the gym or in a closed space allocated for physical education or sports lessons; 30 meters speed running test and 1 mile runwalk test which attempt to determine cardiovascular endurance were performed

on a flat ground suitable for test protocol of Fitnessgram.

In the data collection phase, prior to joining the tests the subjects were given necessary information about the test procedure and each measurement tool, instruments used in the tests were introduced and they were motivated during tests. The subjects were informed at least one week before participating the tests and necessary information about their health status was obtained. The study group consisted of club athletes who had a history of at least 2 years in sport and train regularly at least 5 days a week.

The data obtained in research was analyzed using SPSS 15.0 software. The

Mean of data and standard deviation was calculated as descriptive statistics. T test was used in groups to find significant difference. In this study, the level of significance was taken as 0.05.

FINDINGS

The aim of this correlation study is putting forward the physical fitness level differences among elite athletes age vary between 12 and 14, participated both in individual and team sports living in zmir. Standard variation and t test results of female and male athletes are given in tables.

Table 1: Age, height and body weight values of female athletes participants of individual and team sport

	Groups	N	Mean	Std.Dev.
Age (year)	Individual sport	28	13,02	0,63
	Team sport	86	13,08	0,75
Height (cm)	Individual sport	28	153,92	7,26
	Team sport	86	159,88	6,70
Body Weight (kg)	Individual sport	28	45,27	7,46
	Team sport	86	51,58	9,09

In Table 1, age, height and body weight values of female athletes participants of individual and team sport were given. As shown in Table 1, the mean age of 28 female athletes participants of individual sport was found to be 13,02, their

height was 153,92, body weight was 45,27 kg. The mean age of 86 female athletes participants of team sport was found to be 13,08, their height was 159,88, body weight was 51,58 kg.

Table 2: Age, height and body weight values of male athletes participants of individual and team sport

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	Groups	N	Mean	Std.Dev.			
Age (year)	Individual sport	47	13,12	0,80			
	Team sport	113	13,41	0,63			
Height (cm)	Individual sport	47	158,14	9,34			
	Team sport	113	168,25	8,48			
Body Weight (kg)	Individual sport	47	48,87	11,47			
	Team sport	113	56,49	9,98			

In Table 2, age, height and body values of male athletes participants of individual and team sport were given. As shown in Table 2, the mean age of male athletes participants of individual sport was

found to be 13,12, their height was 158,14, body weight was 48,87 kg. The mean age of male athletes participants of team sport was found to be 13,41, their height was 168,25, body weight was 56,49 kg.

Table 3: Physical fitness values of female athletes participants of individual and team sport

PHYSICAL FITNESS PROPETIES	Groups	N	Mean	Std.Dev.	Т	Р	
Right hand grip strength (kg)	Individual sport	28	19,09	6,52	.227	p>0.05	
	Team sport	86	19,37	5,84	-		
Left hand grip strength (kg)	Individual sport	28	18,05	6,24	.122	p>0.05	
	Team sport	86	17,91	5,41			
Flexibility (cm)	Individual sport	28	18,02	5,65	3.958	p<0.05	
	Team sport	86	13,19	6,16			
Shuttle (number)	Individual sport	28	27,67	4,13	4.236	p<0.05	
	Team sport	86	24,33	3,79			
Steady long jump (cm)	Individual sport	28	181,17	23,37	3.044	p<0.05	
	Team sport	86	167,6	21,45			
30 meter sprint (sn)	Individual sport	28	4,84	0,44	2.669	p<0.05	
	Team sport	86 /	5,09	0,48			
1609 meter endurance (dk)	Individual sport	28	7,73	1,17	4.151	p<0.05	
	Team sport	86	8,78	1,23			
Body Mass ndex	Individual sport	28	18,85	2,34	4.023	p<0.05	
(Body Weight / Height ²)	Team sport	/ 86	20,09	2,77	(0		
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Table 4: Physical fitness values of male athletes participants of individual and team

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PHYSICAL FITNESS	Groups	N	Mean	Std.Dev.	"	
PROPETIES					T.	р
Right hand grip strength	Individual sport	47	22,21	9,98	3.24	p<0.05
(kg)	Team sport	113	27,30	9,50		
Left hand grip strength	Individual sport	47	19,92	9,32	3.79	p<0.05
(kg)	Team sport	113	25,74	9,48		
Flexibility (cm)	Individual sport	47	10,35	5,93	.28	p>0.05
	Team sport	113	10,62	6,00		
Shuttle (number)	Individual sport	47	26,51	3,74	2.18	p<0.05
	Team sport	113	25,26	3,41		
Steady long jump (cm)	Individual sport	47	179,7	23,9	2.29	p<0.05
	Team sport	113	189,32	26,28		
30 meter sprint (sn)	Individual sport	47	4,82	0,48	2.66	p<0.05
	Team sport	113	4,60	0,51		
1609 meter endurance (dk)	Individual sport	47	7,64	2,07	1.33	p>0.05
	Team sport	113	7,55	1,31		
Body Mass ndex	Individual sport	47	18,98	2,93	2,44	p<0.05
(Body Weight / Height ²)	Team sport	113	19,84	2,48	-	

As shown in Table 3, as a result of t test for independent groups, in the values of flexibility, shuttle test, steady long jump, 30 meter sprint, 1609 meter endurance run

and body mass index of individual and team female athletes, significant difference was found in terms of physical fitness (p<0.05). No significant differences were found

between other variables(p>0.05).In flexibility, shuttle, standing-long jump and 30 meter sprint female athletes participants of individual sport, in 1609 meter endurance female athletes participants of team sport were found to be more successful.

In Table 4, the physical fitness values of male athletes participants of individual and team sport are given, physical fitness of elite male athletes participants of team sport appeared to have higher values in general than male athletes participants of individual sport. As a result of t test for independent groups, no significant difference was found in terms of flexibility and 1609 endurance run test of individual and team male athletes (p>0.05), but a significant difference was found between their values of right-hand grip, left-hand grip, shuttle test, steady-long jump, 30 meter sprint and body mass index(p<0.05). A significant difference was found between body mass index of athletes (p<0.05).

DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION

The purpose of this study is to compare the physical compatibility of sportsmen doing individual sports and team sports that are between ages of 12 and 14 in the province of Izmir. When looked at studies it is seen that there are various differences between determination of physical. physiological and motoric features sportsmen doing team and individual sports.

According Harre, strength to overcoming a resistance or counterpoising it muscle (Harre, 1982) with tension. According to Muratli, the strength as its in sports is overcoming meaning the resistance with muscular activity or counterpoising the resistances. The strength development of children is gaining speed together with the gender differences starts to be seen after the ages of 10 and 11; this development is increasing in a big rate in the ages of 13 and 14 (Muratli, 2007) Bompa defines strength as the nerve-muscle ability which provides to overcome internal and external resistances (Bompa, 2007).

The right hand grip strength values of individual sportswomen is found 19,09±6,52kgs; the left hand grip strength values of individual sportswomen is found 18,05±6,24kgs; the right hand grip strength values of team sportswomen is found 19,37±5,84kgs; the left hand grip strength values of team sportswomen is found 17,91±5,41kgs in our study. The right hand grip strength values of individual sportsmen is found 22,21±9,98kgs; the left hand grip

strength values of individual sportsmen is found 19,92±9,32kgs; the right hand grip strength values of team sportsmen is found 27,30±9,50kgs; the left hand grip strength of values team sportsmen is found 25,74±9,48kgs; is found by the result of the studies of Ölçücü et. al. and they found that the dominant hand strength values children aged 10-14 are 25,73±5,10kgs; Pense and Serpek found that the dominant hand grip strength values of basketball players with the average age of 14.93±0.86 are 25.69±0.55kgs and this value 21.92±0.51kgs when looked at the children don't play basketball; Hasan found that it is 15,46±3,21kgs in adolescent girls (Ölçücü Hasan, 2008; Pense et.al.,2010; Serpek,2010). Kılıç found that the right hand grip strength values of infrastructure football players with a mean age of 13,76±0,92 are 26,67±3,84kgs and their left hand grip strength values are 26,53±4,43kgs; found that the right hand grip strength values of male football players with a mean age of 12 and 14 are 23±5,36kgs and the left hand grip strength values of male football players are 23,15±5,45kgs.

Flexibility is the ability of a joint to move through its full range of motion is defined as flexibility (Yalçıner,1993) Wear defined flexibility as range of motion of joints and functional motion capacity (Wear,1963). The flexibility can be limited with bones, muscle ligaments, tendons and skin (Zorba and Saygın,2009). The two types of flexibility can be mentioned as static and dynamic

flexibilities. Static flexibility can be mentioned as the range of motion of a joint when a body segment is passively moved and held in position. Dynamic flexibility is utilizing both force and momentum to move through the full range of motion of a joint. Flexibility shows a decrease with age in contrast to the other physical compatibility characteristics (Hasan, 2008).

Flexibility values in our study are found as follows: It is 18,02±5,65cms for individual sportswomen, 10,35±5,93cms for individual sportsmen, 13,19±6,16cms for team sportswomen, 10,62±6,0cms for team specified in a study sportsmen. It is conducted on 1440 sportsmen and 3000 children and adults that the greater flexibility development occurs between ages of 7 and 11, it is seen that it decreases gradually after age of 15 and shows a significant decrease after age of 50 and it's seen that there is a certain reduction (fall) between the ages of 60 and 70 (Do an, 1995). Koç et. al. have identified the flexibility values of team sportsmen between ages of 13 and 15 as 17,40±8,19cms and 21,06±4,41cms for individual sportsmen; bi identified this value as 32,56±3,60cms for male football players in the 12-14 age group (Koç et.al., 2010; bi ,2002).

Demirel et.al. found that sit-reach test values of girls with a mean age of 12,54±0,93 are 22,78±6,44cms; A ao lu et.al. found that flexibility values of sportswomen in 13-14 age group 28,77±4,48 cms; Ölçücü et.al. found that this value is 16,68±7,91cms in 10-14 age group; Karadenizli and Karacabey found that it's 30,3±4,0 cms in star girls; So at found that the flexibility values are 19,66±5,12cms for athletes. 18,36±5,97cms for gymnasts, 15,63±3,09cms for basketball players, 13.43±2.63cms for handball players in his study among adolescent female sportswomen (A ao lu et.al., 2008; Demirel et.al.,2004; Karadenizli and Karacabey,2002; Ölçücü et.al.,2010; So at,2007).

Muscular endurance is the ability of a group of muscles to sustain repeated contractions or similar movements or

protecting a certain rate of maximal voluntary contraction for a certain period of time. The 30 seconds Sit Ups Test is recommended in order to assess muscular endurance and determine the strength and development of abdominal muscles children of adolescents (Eurofit, 1988; Kayıhan, 2007; Plowman, 2002). The total muscle mass for men at birth was 25% of body weight but it's 40% or more in adults. This high rate of increase is based on hormonal changes due to testosterone production (Zorba and Saygin, 2009).

The maximal scores of repetitions of sitstudy's individual our female ups sportswomen test subjects are 27,67±4,13 24,33±3,79 for elite and it's team sportswomen test subjects. The maximal number of repetitions of sit-ups of individual male sportsmen test subjects are 26,51±3,74 and it's 25,26±3,41 for team sportsmen test subjects.

Karadenizli and Karacabey found that the 30 seconds Sit-ups value for star girls are 20,5±4,8, Duman and Coksevim found that maximal number of repetitions of sit-ups of girl students of 12-14 age group is 17,6±9,9 in their study; Pense and Serpek found this values is 20,00±0,53 for basketball players and 15,61±0,79 for children who aren't playing basketball; Hasan found the sit-ups value as 21,69±3,67 for girls (Duman and Karadenizli Coksevim, 2002; and Karacabey, 2002; Pense and Serpek, 2010; Hasan, 2008). Kiliç has identified that 30 seconds sit-ups test values for infrastructure football players mean aged 13,76±0,92 are 29,87±2,72; Karadenizli and Karacabey found this values as 28,4±2,1 for star male handball players; Baydil found this values for 12-14 age group as 22,36±3,25 (Kılıç,2008; Karadenizli and Karacabey, 2002; Baydil,2006). We can say that this big difference emerges because of regular training of elite sportsmen.

Muscle strength is the resistance of a muscle tension or a muscle group as a result of a maximal effort. It's impossible to perform a sportive performance without motoric strength (Fox at all.,1999). The key element

of success in may sports branch is explosive muscle strength. Sportsmen need explosive muscle strength in order to show high-level performance (Adams at all.,1992). Explosive strength is to reveal maximum force as soon as possible. Explosive strength is an important physical property determining performance in all common sports (Kayıhan,2007).

In our study, standing long jump values are defined as 181,17±23,37 cm for individual sportswomen, 167,6±21,45cm for team sportswomen, 179,79±23,94cm for individual sportsmen, and 189,32±26,28cm for team sportsmen.

Kızılet et.al. found that the standing long jump values for 12-14 age group basketball players are 181,25±26,73cms; Duman and Coksevim found that this values for 12-14 girls are 157,3±20,3cms; age group Karadenizli and Karacabey found that it's 171±0,13cm for star girls and Ölçücü et.al. found that it's 190,82±17,10cms for 10-14 age group children; Pense and Serpek found that it's 175,10±3,25cms for basketball player girls. The literature about this age group sports(wo)men have parallels (Duman and Çoksevim,2002; **Kızılet** et al.,2010; Karadenizli and Karacabey,2002; Ölçücü et al.,2010; Pense and Serpek,2010). Kılıç 177,52±13,41cms found that it's infrastructure football players, Akpınar et.al. found that it's 143,73±42,27cms for skier children and 134,04±9,97cms for volleyball player children; Baydil found 146,61±16,90cms for 12-14 age group children: Koç et.al. found 201,53±29,80cms for 13-15 age group male team sportsmen and 184,53±17,35cms for individual sportsmen; Öz aker found that it's 151,29±22,33cms for 12-14 age group male children. (Kızılet et.al.,2010; Karadenizli and Karacabey,2002; Kılıç,2008; Akpınar,2006; Baydil,2006; Koç et.al.,2010; Oz aker,2011)

One of the most important biomotor abilities needed in sports branches is speed, making way too quickly or ability of acting (Bompa,2007). Only players whose speed, rapidity, durability and physical structure developed may be struggling with players

whose speed and rapidity is on high-level (Kılıç,2008). The speed that is one of the important motoric features of sportsmen is a nerve-muscle process requires nerve-muscle system like coordinative capabilities. Speed is the skill of a sports(wo)men moving him/herself from one place to another in maximum speed. Or it can also be defined as skill of implicating these movements in a very high speed (Dündar,1998; Günay,2001; Sevim,2006). The strength is increasing with age and speed performance increases depending to this.

In our study, 30-meter sprint values for individual sportswomen are 4,84±0.44, 5,09±0,48 for team sportswomen, 4,82± 048 for individual sportsmen, 4,60±0,51 for team sportsmen. The highest value for speed frequency is said to be between the ages of 8-13 and the highest value of speed increase is between ages of 8-11 and 14-15 according to some studies. (Erdil et.al.;1990). A ao lu et.al. found that 30-meter sprint values for sportswomen aged 13-14 is 5,69±0,37 sec., Duman and Çoksevim found that it's 5,6±0,8 sec. for sportswomen aged 12-14; Yıldız found that it's 5,08 seconds for female national athletes aged 11-15; Tüzen et.al. found that it's 5,5±0,57 sec. for swimmers aged 12-14; Karadenizli and Karacabey found that 30-meter sprint values for star female handball players are 5,38±0,37 seconds (A ao lu et.al.,2008; Duman and Coksevim, 2002; Karadenizli Karacabey,2002; Tüzen et.al.,2005; Yıldız,2002). Eniseler have specified that 30meter sprint performance values according to ages of children and young football players as follows: 5,05 sec. for age of 12; 4,92 sec. for age of 13 and 4,65 sec. for age of 14 (Eniseler, 2009). Tüzen et.al. found that the 30-meter sprint values for swimmers aged 12-15 are 5,42±0,7 sec.; Koç et.al. found that it's 5,28±0,42 sec. for team sportsmen aged 13-15 and 5,04±0,47 sec. for individual sportsmen; Karadenizli and Karacabey found that it's 4,36±0,15 sec. for star male handball players; Öz aker found that this value is 5,54±0,49 sec. for the 12 age group, 5,39±0,47 sec. for 13 age group

5,17±0,56 sec. for 14 age group in the study that he had made on boys aged 12-14 age group (Tüzen et.al.,2005; Koç et.al.,2010; Karadenizli and Karacabey, 2002; Öz aker,2011).

The durability that is a condition property which occurs based on aerobic energy of organism is defined as resistance strength of sports(wo)men against physical physiological fatigue. The durability developed with the effort of sportsmen to overcome fatigue during training process. Whether the conditions are hard, organism will be able to adapt the requirements of training. The adaptation level is also reflected to the development of durability Açıkada,1991; Ate o lu,2002; Kılıç,2008). The durability is a property effecting training productivity no matter if the person or the activity applied by is different. The durability reaches its peak in ages between 13 and 14 for females and it begins to fall back after this age (Demir, 2001).

Our study's 1 mile (1609 meters) run-walk test values for individual sportswomen test subjects are 7,73±1,17; it's 8,78±1,23 for team sportswomen test subjects. 1 mile (1609 meters) run-walk test values for individual sportsmen test subjects are

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7,64±2,07; it's 7,55±1,31 for team sportsmen test subjects. According to a study, it's known that the highest absolute development value for girls is seen on age of 12 and it is determined that a very slight development takes place on age of 14 for girls. And other studies determines that there is a fall in pace of development in adolescence. (Erdil et.al.,1990; Karadenizli and Karacabey,2002; Aydos and Kürkçü, 1997). Durability shows a rapid increase in men aged 11-12 and this increase slows down after age of 45 (Demir, 2001; Muratlı, 2007; Akgün,1994). According to Dal Monte, aerobic endurance shows maximal development between ages of 10 and 13, anaerobic development shows maximal development between ages of 13 and 16 (Agopyan, 1993). Aerobic capacity can be increased in children with the help of regular trainings. But this increase may vary from person to person.

As the result, the differences of physical compatibility characteristics of sportsmen and sportswomen each doing sports individually or in a team depends on the intensity, duration and frequency of training and differences between used energy systems.

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