Lower Extremity Exercises – Standing

Advance yourself to the following exercises done in a standing position. Hang on to a solid support, such as a kitchen counter, when exercising. These exercises are most effective if trunk is kept upright, buttocks tucked in and toes pointed straight ahead. Be sure to hold your stomach muscles tight and use good breathing techniques while exercising.

When doing these standing exercises:
• Hold on to a solid object
• Stand up tall

**Marching**
- Lift up knee.

  ____ repetitions
  ____ times per day

**Kick back**
- Kick leg behind you.
- Keep knee straight.

  ____ repetitions
  ____ times per day

**Squats**
- Bend hips and knees as if sitting in a chair.

  ____ repetitions
  ____ times per day

**Knee bends**
- Bend knee toward buttocks.

  ____ repetitions
  ____ times per day

**Side kick**
- Kick leg to side.
- Keep knee straight.

  ____ repetitions
  ____ times per day

**Heel raises**
- Go up and down on your toes.
- Repeat on heels.

  ____ repetitions
  ____ times per day

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