



## **PYRAMIDAL DEFINITIONS OF TERMS**

### **STRATEGY**

The selection of team play systems in order to impose upon the opposition, the style of play and tactics which will build on the coach's, team's strengths and neutralize those of the opponent while at the same time taking advantage of the opponent's weaknesses. For example: when opponent's defensive players have weak puck handling skills, the strategy might be to shoot the puck in and use a 2-1-2 aggressive forechecking system.

### **TEAM PLAY SYSTEM**

A pattern of play in which the movement of all players is integrated in a coordinated fashion in order to accomplish an offensive or defensive objective. (i.e. 2-1-2 forechecking system).

### **TEAM TACTIC**

A collective action of two or more players using technical skills and / or individual tactics in order to create an advantage or take away the advantage of an opponent. (i.e. 2 vs. 1, 3 vs. 2).

### **INDIVIDUAL TACTIC**

Action by one player using one or a combination of technical skills in order to create an advantage or to take away the advantage of an opponent. A tactic may be classified as offensive or defensive. (i.e. 1-on-1 offensive fake and driving to the net).

### **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

The fundamental skills that are required to play the game. (i.e. skating, shooting, passing and checking).

