

# Comicipalooza Dagger Class

## Strike/Counter Technique List

- Attacker:** Starts in underhand grip, thrusts to the belly with a step.  
**Defender:** (Unarmed) Starts with left hand in front of the belly and strikes down on the dagger hand from above with the left, then slides under the dagger hand from the inside to the outside and lifts to trap it against the shoulder with a step toward the opponent.
- Attacker:** Starts in icepick grip and stabs downward to the chest with a step.  
**Defender:** (Unarmed) Reaches up with the left hand (palm outward, thumb down) to grab the dagger arm firmly at the hand or wrist, then twists the arm to the left until the dagger points upward.  
**Attacker:** (Countering) Winds the dagger against the defender's wrist to break his grip.
- Attacker:** Starts in icepick grip and stabs downward to the chest with a step.  
**Defender:** (Unarmed) Reaches up with the left hand (palm outward, thumb down) to grab the dagger arm firmly at the hand or wrist, then shoots the right hand under and behind the bent elbow of the dagger arm and up to grasp the left hand, then presses the dagger hand backward and down (upper key arm break).
- Attacker:** Starts in icepick grip and stabs downward to the chest with a step.  
**Defender:** (Unarmed) Reaches up with the left hand, sweeping over and behind the dagger hand at the wrist to snake under it from above, turning the dagger up and left and wrapping over the arm and down, pulling the hand into the armpit where it can be taken away and used against him.
- Attacker:** Starts in underhand grip, thrusts to the belly with a step.  
**Defender:** (Unarmed) Starts with left hand in front of the belly and strikes down on the dagger hand from above with the left and grabs strongly, and with the right upturned hand grabs the dagger blade from below turns it toward the opponent's body and steps forward to press the thrust home with the chest.
- Attacker:** Starts in underhand grip, thrusts to the belly with a step.  
**Defender:** (Unarmed) Strikes down on the dagger arm with both hands to grab it, then drives the dagger hand backward (stepping with both feet), turning a volta with the right leg to straighten the arm behind the opponent's back for a break or disarm. (3 variations)
- Attacker:** Starts in underhand grip, thrusts to the belly with a step.  
**Defender:** (Unarmed) Strikes down on the dagger arm with both hands to grab it, then steps forward with a turn to the right to stretch the arm across the chest, holding it in tight to keep the arm straight for a break or throw. *\*Alternate: Use bicep instead of stomach.*

8. **Attacker:** Starts in icepick grip and stabs downward to the chest with a step.  
**Defender:** (Unarmed) Reaches up with the right arm to catch the dagger hand and pulls to the right, stepping in to grab the shoulder with the left hand for a throw.
9. **Attacker:** Starts in icepick grip and stabs downward to the chest with a step.  
**Defender:** (Unarmed) Reaches up with the right arm to catch the dagger hand (palm outward, thumb down) and twists the arm to the right while lifting the bent elbow with the left hand. With the right, drives the downturned dagger hand over the bicep of the left arm and then lifts the left elbow while turning to the right (driving the attacker to the ground where the defender can literally sit on his back while holding the arm lock). “Thus you have trapped him and you can eat and drink near him, and he won’t be able to leave.”
10. **Attacker:** Starts in icepick grip and stabs downward to the chest with a step.  
**Defender:** (Armed) Starts in icepick grip, reaches up with the left hand (palm outward, thumb down) to grab the dagger arm firmly at the hand or wrist, then twists and pulls the arm strongly to the left while stabbing with the right. *\*Alternate: Hook behind the knee instead of stabbing.*
11. **Attacker:** Starts in underhand grip, thrusts to the belly with a step.  
**Defender:** (Armed) Starts in underhand grip with left hand in front of the belly and strikes down on the dagger hand from above with the left to grab it, then hooks the dagger behind the knee of the attacker’s lead leg and either slices the back of the knee or lifts and drives the attacker backwards to throw him to the ground.
12. **Attacker:** Starts in icepick grip and stabs downward to the chest with a step.  
**Defender:** (Armed) Starts in icepick grip at either the left shoulder or left hip, thrusts up and sideways at the attacker’s dagger hand to hook behind it, then grabs the end of his own dagger with crossed hands to form a triangle around the attacker’s wrist and pulls down and backwards. (Scissors technique)
13. **Attacker:** Starts in underhand grip, thrusts to the belly with a step.  
**Defender:** (Unarmed) Strikes down on the dagger arm with both hands to grab it, lifts the arm high to the left and steps underneath it, turns and brings the arm back down, driving the opponent's dagger into his own stomach.  
*\* Bonus Technique*