##### LEO CARLSSON

Team: Orebro HK

League: SHL

Position: C/LW

Born: **26 DEC 2004**

Height: **6.03ft or 190cm**

Weight: **194 lbs or 88kg**

# Report Card – Excellent: 5, Very Good: 4.5, Good: 4, Above Average: 3.5, Average: 3 Below Average: 2, Poor: 1

#### Size/Strength Very Good: 4.5

##### Skating Very Good: 4.5

**Shot/Scoring Good: 4**

**Puckhandling Excellent: 5**

##### Physical Play Good: 4

**Offensive Play Very Good: 4.5**

#### Defensive Play Very Good: 4.5

**Hockey Sense Very Good: 4.5**

**Competitiveness Good: 4.5**

**Strengths**

**1. Outstanding handling abilities.**

**2. Strong balance and agility for his size.**

**3. Strong hockey IQ in all zones.**

**Area’s For Improvement**

**1. Even though his shot his very accurate, it needs a bit more quickness and power in his release.**

**2. Start throwing more hits.**

**3. Even though he is maturing physically, he needs a tad more strength to hold more his own for battles in-front of the net.**

**Skill:**

A tremendously aware playmaker who can be a big threat in any situation, especially the powerplay.

**Scouting Report:**

Overall, Leo Carlsson is arguably one of the most common players that teams look for in the draft, that is a big, strong, and very creative 1st line center. Like Joe Thornton, Leo has excellent vision and is very accurate at making passes. Even though he’ll need to build more strength to be more effective in-front of the net, he can still definitely hold his own otherwise. For a guy being 6’3, he is considered very agile and can carry the puck through the neutral zone like no other. Even though he has an accurate enough shot for the NHL, his shot power and how fast he can get it off is considered a small weakness which in most cases, he usually keeps his shot worst case scenario. For a guy being 18 years old, he is very poised in difficult situations and will use his size to his advantage at protecting the puck. Even though on occasion he will play wing, he is in position defensively quite a bit and will use his reach to his advantage when poking the puck off the opposition. One aspect that teams do need to look at from Leo’s standpoint is that he competes very hard in any situation that he is in and when it seems like he loses the puck, he somehow fights for it and gets credited by regaining possession of the lost puck.

**NHL Potential:**

1st Line Center playmaker.

**Player Comparison: Mix of Nicklas Backstrom and Joe Thornton**