

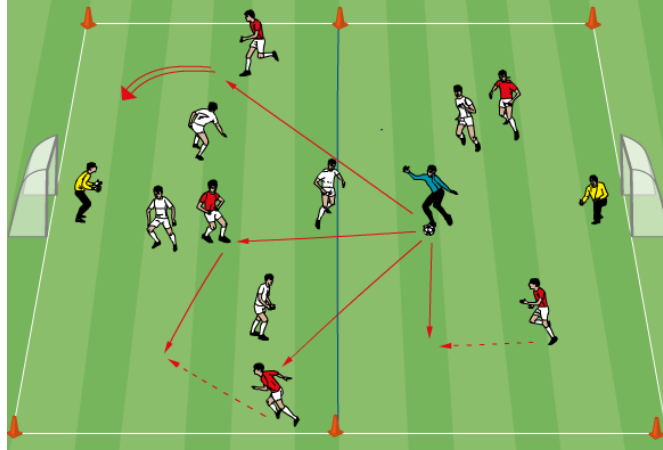
Active for Life: GAG Intro-Game

Small-Sided-Game: 6v6 Game with a Neutral Player – Passing/Support

20-30 minutes

Organization:

- Two teams of 6 including the GKs, plus 1 neutral player.
- Neutral player always plays for the team in possession.
- Playing field of 60x40m.
- One goal at each end.
- All soccer balls in the goals.
- Play starts with the GK.



Coaching Points:

- Accurate passes with good ball speed.
- Open your body to the play when receiving a pass.
- Support in triangles – wide and deep.
- Don't support too close to the ball. Remember: distance = time.
- Make sure you can be seen between players.

Description:

1. The game begins when the GK rolls the ball out to one of her/his players. The team must then interpass in an effort to create scoring opportunities. The opposing team must try and win the ball so that they can also attack and score. Normal rules of soccer with the exception that the ball must be "kicked-in" when the ball goes out over the touch line. Any balls that go out of play behind the goal are restarted by the goalkeeper rolling the ball to one of her/his players. **Emphasis** should be made of the importance of players using the additional player advantage to **create good supporting triangles around the ball**.
2. Switch the neutral player every 5-10 minutes.
3. **Progression:** For the last 5-10 minutes, the neutral player can only receive the ball in the defending half of the field in possession.

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