All warm-up activities shown must be undertaken after general movements, like jogging, running and complete stretching of major muscle groups.

## Awareness and Co-ordination

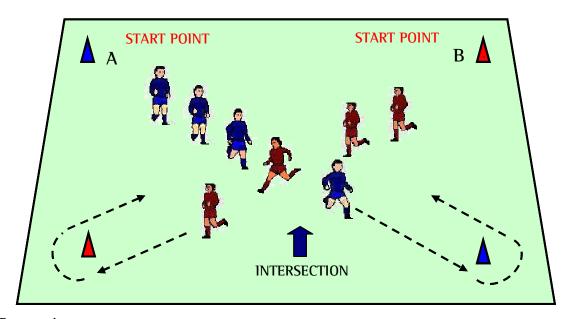
## Organization

Area - 20 x 20m grid

Players - Divide team into two group of equal numbers

#### **Procedure**

- 1. Group one will start from BLUE Cone A and move diagonally to opposite BLUE Cone
- 2. Group two will start from RED Cone B and move diagonally to opposite RED Cone
- 3. Both groups must start simultaneously
- 4. Players will alternate when passing each other in the middle
- 5. Upon reaching opposite cone, players will make U-turn and go back to start cone



#### Progression

- 1. Players sprint towards opposite cone after intersection point
- 2. Introduce one ball per player

#### Variation

1. Use different footwork when moving from start cone to end cone -

Skipping

Side skip

Backward jog

Striding

Hop

One leg jumps

High knees

Heel flicks

Sprinting

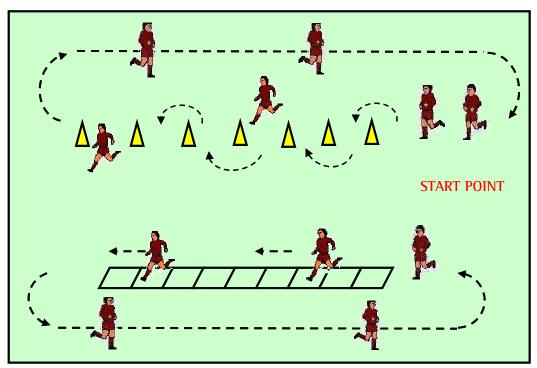
## Speed, Agility and Quick-feet (SAQ)

## Organization

Agility ladder or footballs/poles/cones/ arranged in a line. Distance between the objects depends on stride length for each exercise and age group.

#### Procedure

- 1. Players will line up and go through the objects/ladder
- 2. Upon completion, they will move back to start point for next repetition
- 3. Give enough recovery time (W:R ratio is 1:10)



## Progression

- 1. Introduce hurdles of varying heights
- 2. Introduce a server at end of obstacle for technique execution (heading, passing, etc)
- 3. Emphasize speed

## Variation

1. Use different footwork when moving through the obstacle

Slow jog

Skipping

Side skip

Backward jog

Striding

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One leg jumps

**Sprints** 

Zig-zag runs

## **Short Passing**

## Organization

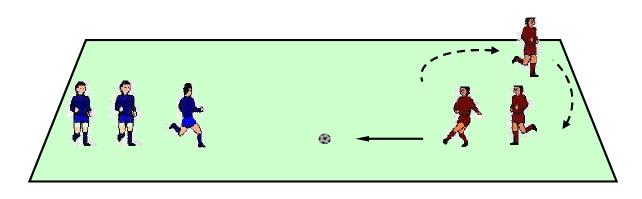
Players - Divide them equally into groups of 3 players

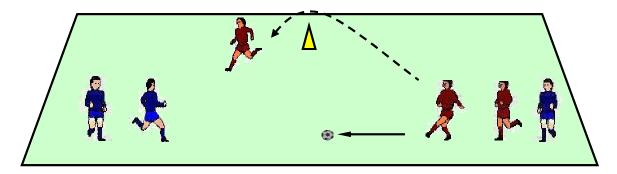
2 groups to face each other in a queue 10m apart

Equipment - One football for every 2 groups

## Procedure

- 1. Players will pass to first player in the opposite group. (Pass distance will depend on age and ability)
- 2. After pass, jog/run to back of the queue or opposite side (see variations)





## Progression

- 1. Introduce 2 touch and eventually 1 touch condition.
- 2. Increase passing distance. (Depending on age and ability)
- 3. Emphasize speed after passing, pass pace & different contact surface (outside, instep etc)

#### Variation

1. Vary players' movement to the back of the queue after passing:

Sideway runs

Backward runs

Side skip

Zig-zag runs

**Sprints** 

- 2. Move towards the back of the opposite queue
- 3. Move towards a marker/cone placed at an angle before joing the opposite queue

## **Ball Feeling**

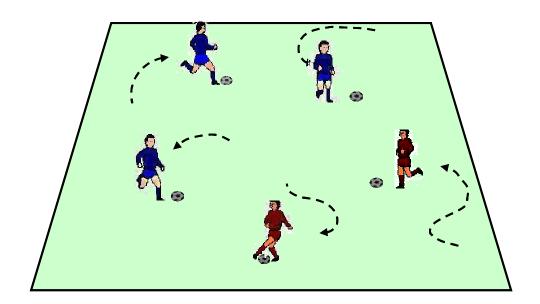
## Organization

Area -  $10m \times 10m$  or  $15m \times 15m$  grid (Depending on age and ability)

Players - 5 players per grid with one football each

#### Procedure

- 1. Players to move within the grid, keeping close control of the ball.
- 2. Players to make as many contacts with the ball, using various surface of both feet.
- 3. Varying directions of movements: forward, sideways, backwards and stationary.



## Progression

- 1. Place tall cones within grid for players to avoid contact
- 2. Emphasize quick feet movement

## Variation

1. Vary players' contact surface with the ball. See sample sequence below:

1-1-1-0-0-1-1 \*

0-0-0-1-1-0-0

L-L-I-L-L

0-0-0-S-0

L-L-H-1-L

Variations and combinations are unlimited

- \* 1-Inside foot, O-Outside foot, L-Laces, S-Sole, H-Heel
- 2. Introduce dribbling techniques stepovers, scissors, body feints, etc
- 3. Introduce turning techniques outside and inside hook, Cruyff turn, drag back, etc

## **Ball Control**

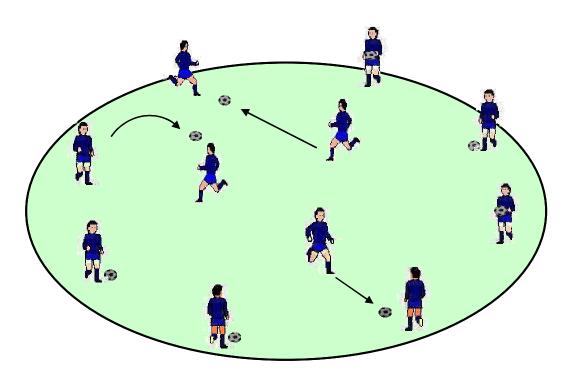
## Organization

Players - 8/10 servers form a circle with one football each

- 2/3 players inside without football (to be rotated)

#### Procedure

- 1. Inside players to move within the circle and ask for balls from servers.
- 2. Player to control and make a return pass to the server and move off to another server.
- 3. Serve with different height and pace, control with various body surface- chest, thigh, feet



## Progression

- 1. Introduce 2 touch and eventually 1 touch condition.
- 2. Emphasize speed and tight control, within playing distance
- 3. Introduce 1 defender inside the circle to apply pressure.

#### Variation

- 1. Vary height and pace of service to the players
- 2. Reduce the number of balls to 5, so receiving player must now pass to another server without a ball.

# Dribbling

## Organization

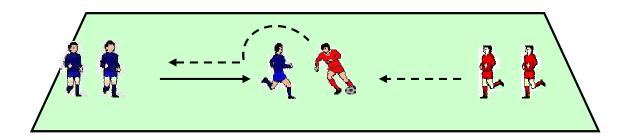
Players - Divide them equally into groups of 3 players

2 groups to face each other in a queue 15m apart.

Equipment - One football for every 2 groups

## Procedure

- 1. Blue player passes ball to first red player in the opposite queue
- 2. Blue player moves to halfway point and start passive defending
- 3. Receiving player to control ball and dribble past oncoming passive opponent.
- 4. Upon going past opponent, pass the ball to next player in the opposite queue
- 5. Use one technique at a time, e.g. scissors, step over, feints, etc.
- 6. Change roles



## Progression

- 1. Emphasize quick feet, speed, balance and acceleration
- 2. Activate the defending player

# **Defending Play**

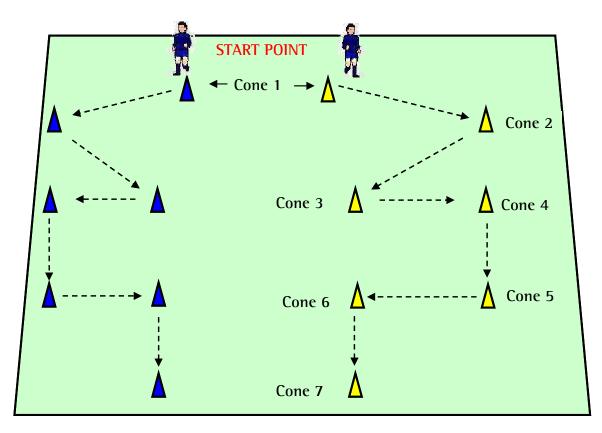
## Organization

Area - Cones arranged sequentially 10 m apart (See diagram)

Players - Grouped in pairs.

## Procedure

- 1. Players to move simultaneously from Cone 1 to Cone 7
- 2. Players to mimick defensive movements: stay low, on the toes, balanced, quick feet
- 3. Varying directions of movements: forward, sideways, backwards, spinning, etc



# **Attacking Play**

## Organization

Area - 20m x 20m grid, top of the penalty box

Players - Queue in 2 rows at opposite ends of the grid

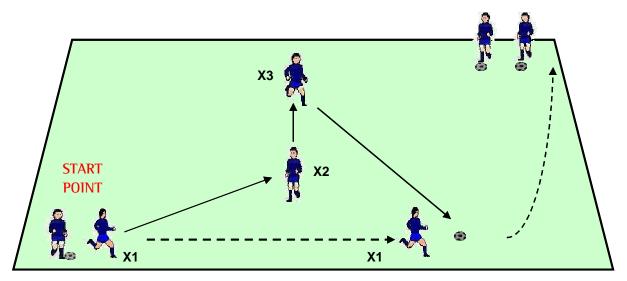
- Two players, X2 and X3 to be middle players (Rotational)

#### Procedure

- 1. Player X1 plays to X2, who plays to X3
- 2. Player X3 will then make a through pass to X1 who overlaps X2
- 3. Upon passing/overlapping, X1 re-joins queue at the opposite side

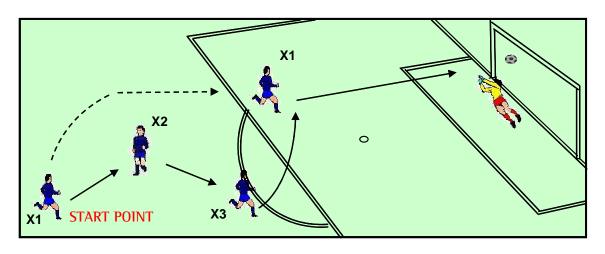
### Progression

- 1. Gradually introduce 2 touch and 1 touch condition
- 2. Emphasize quality and speed in control, passing, movement and finishing



## Variation

- 1. Player X1 now plays a pass with X2, who will pass it to X3
- 2. X1 now overlaps X2 to receive pass from X3 to finish with shooting/heading
- 3. Progress to one touch passes and one touch finishing in the penalty box



## Goalkeeping

## Organization

Area - Cones arranged 10m long and 4m apart (See diagram) Goalkeepers - Grouped in pairs.

#### Procedure

- 1. GKs start simultaneously from start point to the end and cross over to the other line
- 2. GKs to mirror each other movements on the opposite line
- 3. Varying directions of movements and ball handling.
- 4. Start with slow jog, and gradually increasing pace. Different footwork to be used:

Small side steps Bigger side steps Backward runs Hopping, skipping 1 and 2 legged jumps

## 5. When moving along the line:

Serve balls to each other on the ground, chest level and above the head Serve balls at pace for shot stopping

