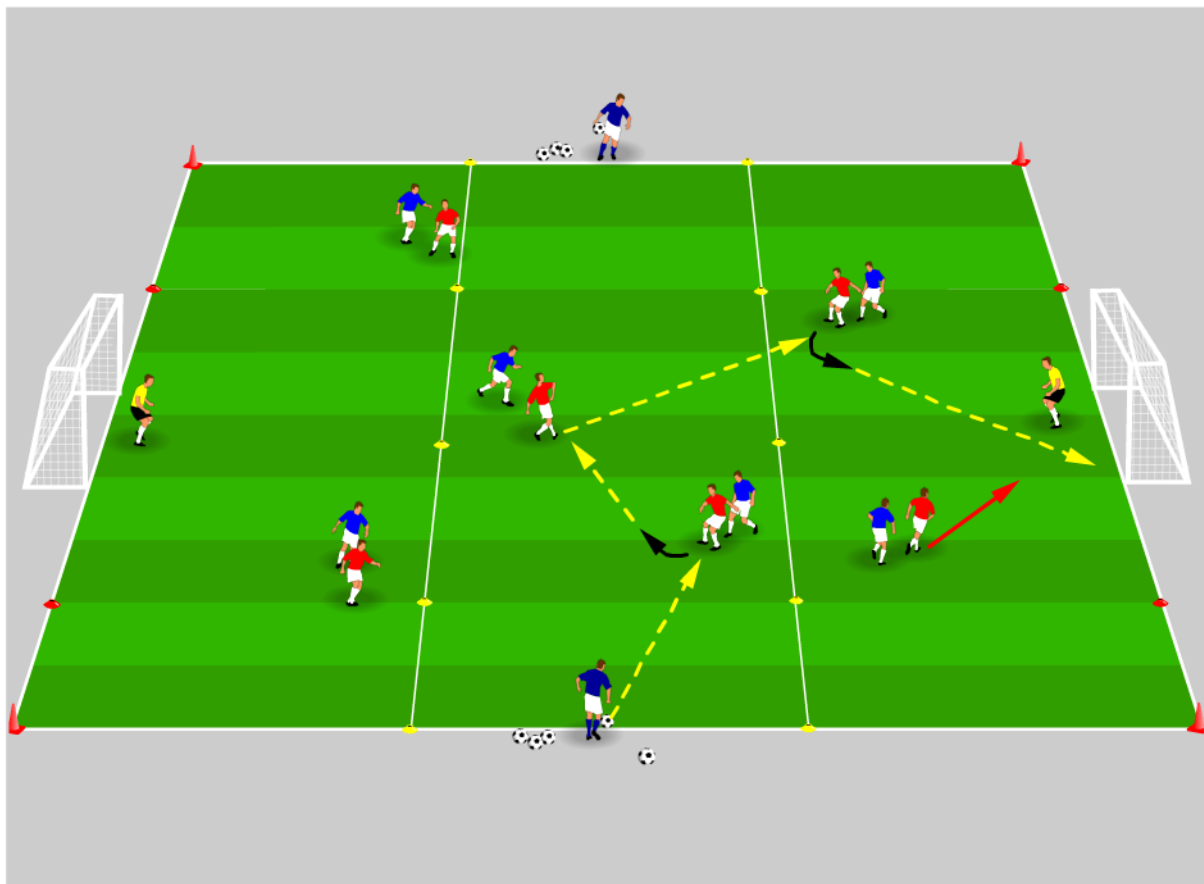


Thirds Turning Small Sided Game - Coaching Mini Soccer Book



Date:	3 Nov 2010	Measurement:	50 x 30 yds
Time:	.	Players:	12
Duration:	20 mins	Level/Age Group:	7+

Description: In this tactical game each team starts with two players in each third, essentially a two v two. The players cannot move from their designated third. Each team can attack both ends and score in either goal. The players in the midfield receive a ball from the coach and twist and turn trying to find a team mate in either end zone who can receive the ball and get in a shot.

Objective: Turns - Coach to Improve Turning with the Ball

Coaching Points:

1. Each player needs to tell the player with the ball where they are and where they want the ball. Communication is the key especially when the player with the ball is facing the opposite direction.
2. Can the player with the ball change the direction of the attack. Start attacking one goal then turn and attack the other.

Progression:

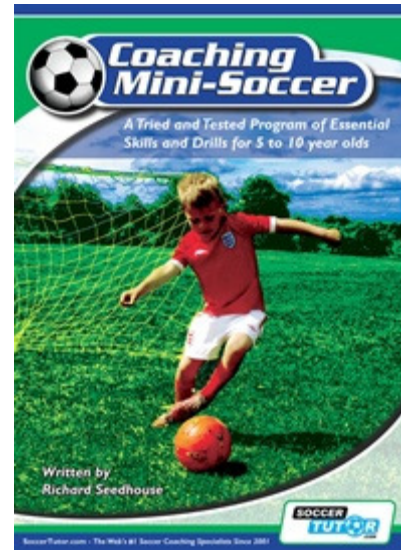
1. For younger players may want to try 1v1 in the 2 ends zones and keep 2v2 in the middle.
2. For more advance players increase the pitch size and try 3v3 in midfield
3. Remove the thirds leaving a standard pitch

This Practice was taken from the Book -

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