

# Week 1

# Dribbling to advance the ball

# **OBJECTIVE** Learn how to dribble and keep the ball close.

# **COACHING POINTS**

- 1. Toe down, use laces to dribble
- 2. Head up to see opponent, space, and teammate
- 3. Dribble into open space

# **GUIDED QUESTIONS**

- 1. Where should we keep ball when dribbling? Why?
- 2. How can you find open space?
- 3. How should you dribble into space?

# KEY WORDS

Keep it close, Drive, Take Space, Pick head up

# **PLAYER ACTIONS**

Dribbling

# **TECHNICAL TOOLS**

Block 1: Keep the ball close;
Block 2: Different Surfaces

### SESSION KEY

Dribble ✓✓✓✓✓►

Pass / Shot →

Movement ------



4 v 4

Play to discover

Me and my ball

Learn fundamentals, purpose, direction & rules of the game

Dribbling Block 1

# PHASE 1 – PLAY | 15 MINS

# 3 MINUTES PLAY | 1 MINUTE REST

# **AREA**

20 x 15-yard fields (x2)

# **DESCRIPTION**

Players play 1v1 to 2v2 games on two fields as players arrive. Rotate players after 3 minutes.

# **SCORING**

Score on mini goal for 1 point

# **MORE CHALLENGING**

Make fields smaller, Play 4v4



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# PHASE 2 – TRAFFIC LIGHTS | 15 MINS

# 4 MINUTES PLAY | 1.5 MINUTE REST

# **AREA**

15 x 20 yard grid

# **DESCRIPTION**

Players with a ball each in area dribbling.

Red light = stop ball with sole of foot, Yellow light = pull back turn, Green light = dribble ball

Highway = dribble at speed, Traffic Circle = double inside cut, Carwash = sole roles x 10

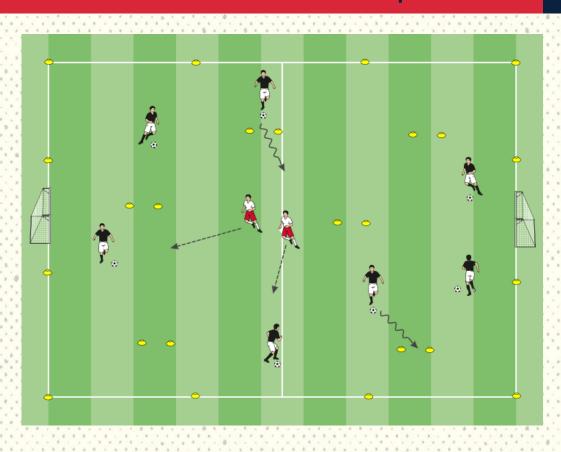
Gas fill up = dribble ball around cone

Crazy Driver = big toe, little toe zig zag with ball

# **MORE CHALLENGING**

Add 1 police officer to try to steal ball

# PHASE 3 – RACE-TRACK DRIVING | 15 MINS



# 4 MINUTES PLAY | 1.5 MINUTE REST

### **AREA**

15 x 20 yard grid with 3 yard gates

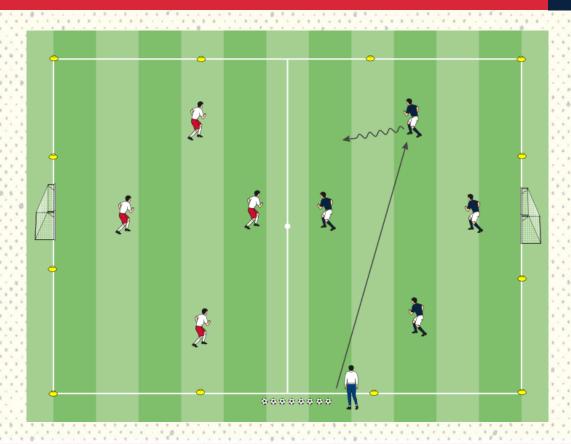
# **DESCRIPTION**

Place small gates on field. Race cars now need to drive through gates with ball under control, how many gates can you dribble through in 1 minute? beware of the police officers (defenders) keep ball close and under control. If players lose ball, 10 toe taps to get back in the game!

# **MORE CHALLENGING**

Add more defenders

### PHASE 4 – GAME | 15 MINS



# 6 MINUTES PLAY | 2 MINUTE REST

# **AREA**

20 x 30 yards

# **DESCRIPTION**

Play 4v4 game

Encourage players to look up and find space by dribbling with close control. Add point when player demonstrates successful dribble into space.

# **MORE CHALLENGING**

Make field smaller