

4 CORNER GAME

STAGES COVERED BY ACTIVITY

Stages 3, 4 & 5 - 9-18 year old players

THEMES & COMPETENCIES

Theme:

- + Passing combinations
- + Attacking transition.
- + Defending in pairs and groups.

Competencies:

- + Short passing along the ground (5-15 yards).
- + Receiving using the feet.
- + Mobility on and off the ball.
- + Attacking and defending as an individual.
- + Attacking and defending in pairs and small groups.
- + Attacking support.

WHY USE IT

This activity helps develop a rhythm in possession and combination play. Players also appreciate that space gets less as play progresses forward.

SET UP

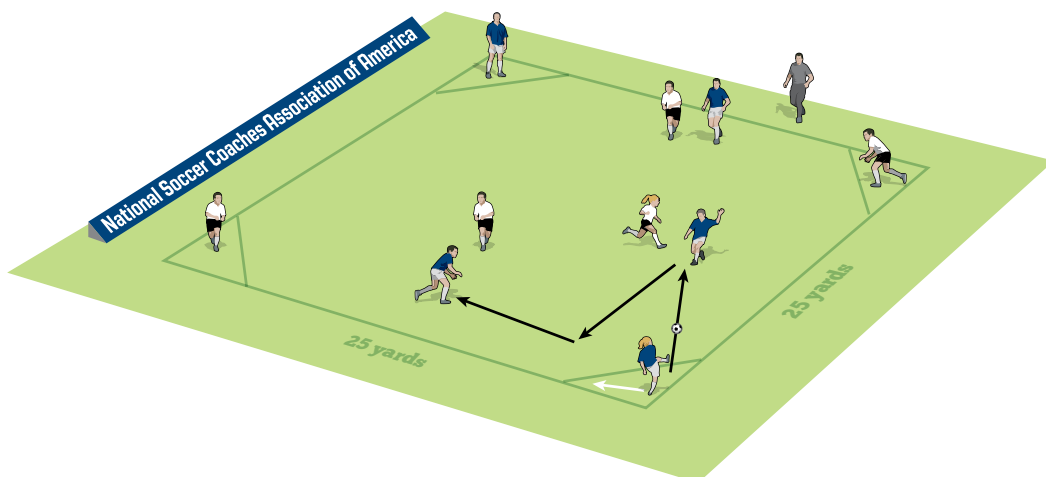
25 x 25 yard square. Play 3 v 3 in the area for possession with each team having two players in a corner zone across from each other on the diagonal to make a 5v5.

HOW TO PLAY

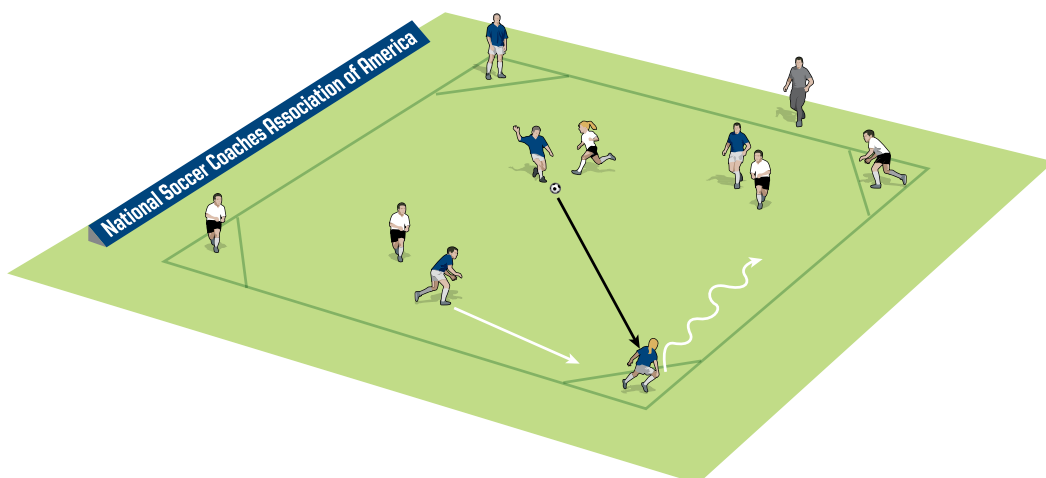
In possession teams look to use the corner players to support the play. If the ball can be moved from one corner to the other the team scores a point and the play is continued without stoppage. When a successful pass is made to the corner player, the passer switches places as the game continues to flow.

COACHING NOTES

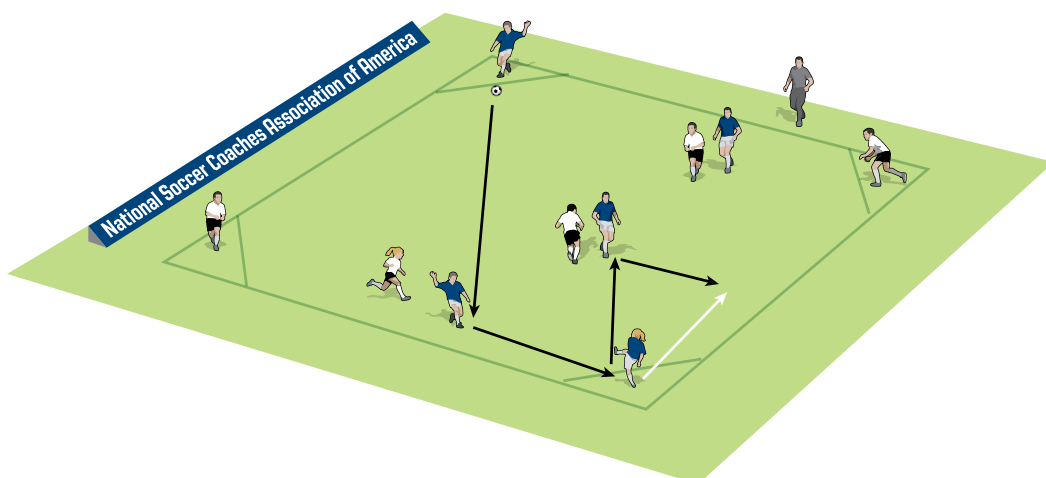
- + Coaching objectives - to improve the players' recognition of support in possession.
- + Coaching tip - work the activity for short periods with the ball always in play.
- + Adaptations - increase challenge with touch restrictions and allow the target players to enter the field.



- + Blue target passes to a well-marked team mate who cannot turn.
- + The target moves in support to receive the ball back.
- + The pass is played to an open support player.



- + A pass to a target scores a point.
- + The target immediately begins play with a dribble.
- + The passer moves into the corner.



- + The blue team completes two passes to score.
- + Target plays a quick give and go.
- + Passing sequence allows the target to get into space.

