## Defending 3v3 Pressure Cover Balance

Category: Technical: Defensive skills Difficulty: Moderate

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### Description

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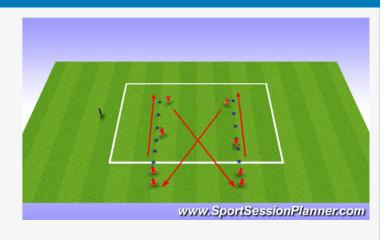
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### Organization

Players perform a variety of dynamic movements through the

- Quick Feet
- High Knees
- Two Feet
- Side Strides

Players move to other group when completed



### Defending 2v2 3v3

#### Organization

Set up four 5 yard zones in a 20 by 10 yard rectangle 2v2 progressing to 3v3

Possession team scores by playing the ball through the opponents defensive pressure

If the defending team wins the ball they score by playing the ball through the opposition in the same way

Teams must stay in there zones and can only pressure as high as the lines

### Competencies

- Closest player pressures the ball to force into defensive cover/support
- 2nd defender provides cover and denies any passing opportunity inbetween 1st and 2nd defender
- 3rd defender provides balance and denies any passing opportunity inbetween 2nd and 3rd defender
- Speed of pressure
- 1st defenders angle of approach
- 2nd and 3rd defenders position relation to 1st or 2nd defender pressure
- Communication
- Delay and be patient



### Defending 2v2 3v3

#### Organization

Create two 10 x 15/20 yard channels

Defender 1 plays a ball to either of the oppsing attackers A 2nd defender and attacker join the play to create a 2v2

### **Progression**

Add a 3rd player to each team for 3v3...Hmmm??

#### Competencies

- Closest player pressures the ball to force into defensive cover/support or away from goal if situation allows (for example: close to side line and can guide opponent off the field)
- 2nd defender provides cover to force the square pass
- 3rd defender provides balance
- Speed of pressure
- 1st defenders angle of approach
- 2nd and 3rd defenders position in relation to 1st or 2nd defender pressure



- Communication
- Delay and be patient

# **Small Sided Game**

# Organization

4v4 or 5v5

Defensive shape as it relates to 1st defender pressure cover and balance

