Grassroots Development 'Retreat Line Development Too'

Info Package

## BC Soccer Association

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This info package provides key factors with implementing a retreat line into

Under 9, 10, 11 and 12 small sided soccer game formats


## Organization of players before a goal kick

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## Retreat Line Procedure:

During a goal kick, the opposing team retreats to the middle third of the field and may not pressure the ball until:

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A teammate receives a pass from the Goalkeeper


A long pass goes directly into the middle third of the field.


The ball leaves the field of play

## Encroachment of retreat line:

If the defending team encroaches across the retreat line before a teammate receives a pass,
Then the referee blows the play stopped and issues a re-take of the goal kick.

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If the opposing team repeatedly infringes the retreat line, Then an indirect free kick shall be awarded from the place where the offence occurred for non-respect of the restart

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## Making the Right Decision:

Teams are always able to play quickly;
If players choose to play quickly,
Then the ball is in play as soon as it leaves the penalty area regardless of the opposing team's position.

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## Making the Right Decision:

At times, the correct pass is a long one,
If there is an opportunity to play a long pass to create a counter attack, Then it should be encouraged.

