

Refereeing Extra Matches – Player Development Initiatives

9U/10U Build-Out Line (BOL)

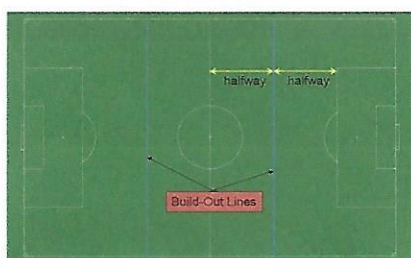
- 9U/10U matches now include BOL to help promote development of player skills
- BOL only impacts these three situations:
 - Goalkeeper putting ball into play after possessing in hands
 - Offside
 - Goal Kicks

9U/10U Build-Out Line

- Located halfway between the halfway line and penalty area line parallel to the goal line
- Line may be solid, dashed, or simply marked by cones (or flags) off the field
 - Referee needs to know how line is marked prior to match
 - Good practice to remind players/coaches prior to match

Build-Out Line

9U/10U Build-Out Line

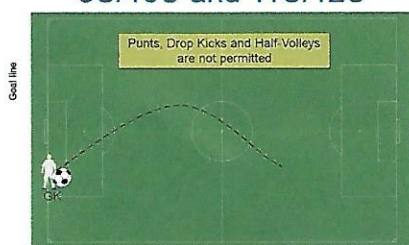


US Soccer PDI Mandate Impact (9U/10U and 11U/12U Matches)

- Player Development Initiative (1-Aug-2017)
- Goalkeeper punts are now NOT allowed in 9U/10U and 11U/12U
- In addition, 9U/10U has Build-out Line (BOL) to promote development of technical skills

No Goalkeeper Punts

GK Punts Are Prohibited in 9U/10U and 11U/12U



How Does GK Put Ball Into Play? (9U/10U and 11U/12U)

- With ball in possession (in hands), the GK must put ball into play by throw, roll, or pass
 - Punts (drop kicks, etc) are not permitted
 - Per LOTG the GK may not be challenged when ball in his/her hands
 - Ball is "in play" when released from GK hands

Goalkeeper Punt Infraction (9U/10U and 11U/12U)

- If Goalkeeper (GK) punts ball:
 - Referee stops play and awards **IFK** to opponents at location where GK punted ball
 - If GK was inside Goal Area, the ball is placed on the Goal Area Line, parallel to the Goal Line, closest to the punt location
 - Repeated infractions should not be considered as part of Persistent Infringement misconduct

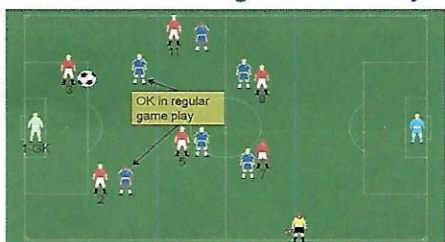


9U/10U Build-Out Line Basic Concept

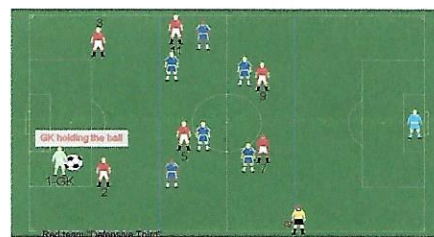
- Putting the ball into play from a Goal Kick or from the Goalkeeper's hands requires that the player putting the ball into play attempt to pass the ball to a teammate on the same side (goal-side) of the BOL
- Promotes development of skills
- In the same vein the BOL replaces the halfway line in the judgement of offside infractions
- Allows attacking team more room to develop attack



BOL Does Not Restrict Player Location During Normal Play



Opponents MUST Move Behind BOL When GK Gets Possession



BOL and Goalkeeper Possession

- During normal play there is no restriction on player location
- When GK gains possession of ball with hands:
 - Opponents must retreat behind BOL
 - GK has option to put ball into play without waiting for opponents to retreat



Goalkeeper Putting Ball into Play

- GK must throw, roll, or pass ball to teammate standing on goal-side of BOL
- GK may dribble ball before passing to teammate
- Infraction: Ball deliberately thrown, rolled, or passed beyond BOL
 - Stop play, restart play with IFK for opponents at the location where the Goalkeeper released the ball into play
 - If not deliberate, play continues
 - Repeated infractions should not be considered as part of Persistent Infringement misconduct



Putting Ball into Play: Other Considerations

- GK does not need to wait for opponents to retreat; takes risk of interception
- Referee should encourage opponents to retreat
 - GK has "6-seconds" to put ball into play after opponents have retreated across BOL (not commonly enforced in 10U – vocally encourage GK to put ball into play)
- If ball goes directly out of play without crossing BOL, then restart with TI or CK as appropriate
- If GK dribbles ball past BOL let play continue as normal

Putting Ball Into Play: Opponent Considerations

- Opponents may cross the BOL as soon as the ball is released from the GK's hands
- Infraction: opponents cross BOL before GK releases ball
 - Hold up play, ask opponent to retreat, and then continue play (if necessary to stop play, then restart with Dropped ball to Goalkeeper)
 - Use judgement and don't interfere for trifling infraction
 - Repeated infractions should not be considered as part of Persistent Infringement misconduct

No Heading the Ball

Summary

- Goalkeeper punts NOT allowed in 9U/10U and 11U/12U
- Build-Out Line used in 9U/10U to help reduce pressure and promote attacking skills development
 - Impacts offside, goal kicks, goalkeeper possession
- Work with the coaches to address repeated infractions

Deliberately Heading the Ball in 12U and Below ~~10U and Below for~~ **Not Permitted**

NOT a Foul but an Infringement of the Rules of Competition
 Heading **MUST** be deliberate
 Restart is an IFK for the opposing team generally at the spot of the infringement

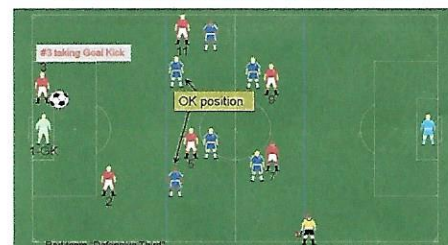
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Goal Kick

9U/10U Goal Kick

- Player taking Goal Kick must attempt to pass ball to teammate standing on goal-side of BOL
- Infraction: Ball deliberately kicked beyond BOL
 - Referee stops play and awards IFK to opponents on Goal Area Line, parallel to Goal Line, closest to where the Goal Kick was initially taken
 - If, in Referee's opinion, the infraction was not deliberate then play continues
 - Repeated infractions should not be considered as part of Persistent Infringement misconduct

Opponents **MUST** Move Behind BOL for 9U/10U Goal Kick



9U/10U Goal Kick: Other Considerations

- Referee should encourage opponents to retreat.
- Player taking Goal Kick need not wait.
- If ball kicked directly out of play without crossing BOL then restart with TI or CK as appropriate

9U/10U Goal Kick: Opponent Considerations

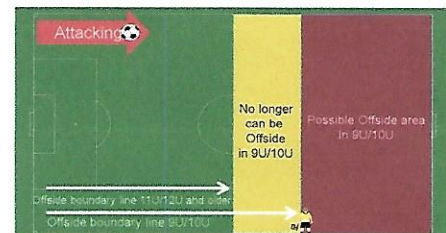
- Opponents may cross BOL as soon as ball is kicked
- Ball is **NOT** in play until it exits penalty area
- Infraction: Opponents cross BOL before kick is taken
- Referee stops play; asks opponents to retreat, then Goal Kick is retaken
- Repeated infractions should not be considered as part of Persistent Infringement misconduct

Build-Out Line and Offside

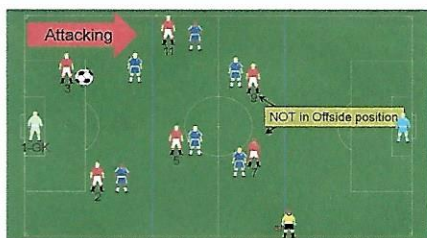
9U/10U BOL and Offside

- The area of potential offside infractions is defined by the **BOL** and the closest **goal line**.
- The **BOL** replaces the **Halfway Line** as the boundary where offside infractions are considered.

BOL Limits Location of Offside Position



BOL Defines Potential Offside Infractions



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