

Drill

Objective: Score goals while having to think about patterns and passing accuracy!

Set Up:

- Split your team into three groups
- Create three triangles within the 25-yard line, the top cone should be 7–10 yards from the bottom two cones
- Position a player on each of the cones and have extra players form lines behind player A
- Provide ball piles at each top cone

The Drill:

- The beginning passing pattern is A-B-A-C
- Have the farthest left triangle begin: player A passes to player B, player B passes to player A, player A passes to player C who dribbles into the circle and shoots
- After the first triangle completes the final pass to the shooter, the next triangle can begin their passing pattern
- After several rounds of the first passing pattern or a set amount of time, change the passing pattern to whatever you want (or ask a
 player to provide the pattern) it should be at least two passes and each player should touch the ball once
- Ensure that each player is spending time in each triangle to practice shots from a variety of angles



- Quick passes which can be accomplished by passing and receiving the ball at the front foot with eyes up
- Positioning the ball and body to take shots as soon as the ball crosses the circle edge
- Know-your-exit this drill can help players think a pass ahead, understanding where they want to go with the ball before they receive
 it
- First touch putting the ball in a position from the reception to efficiently enter the circle at speed with minimal touches

Recommendations:

- Add obstacles at the top of the circle to make shooting more of a challenge the original challenge lies in going with speed into the circle, but feel free to add an extra dimension to the drill
- Be creative! After your players begin to understand the drill or after you've done it several times, add a required lead from the shooter or a lifted pass into space for the shooter to run onto
- Be cognizant of your goalkeeper! Make sure players are timing their passes and shots so that the goalkeeper is set and ready
- Turn it into a competition require players to stay in their triangle for a set amount of time and count who scores the most goals

