



# ATTACKING + DEFENDING CROSSES

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Duration: **15-20**

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Intensity: **● (7/10)**

Category: **Tech / Tact, Conditioning**

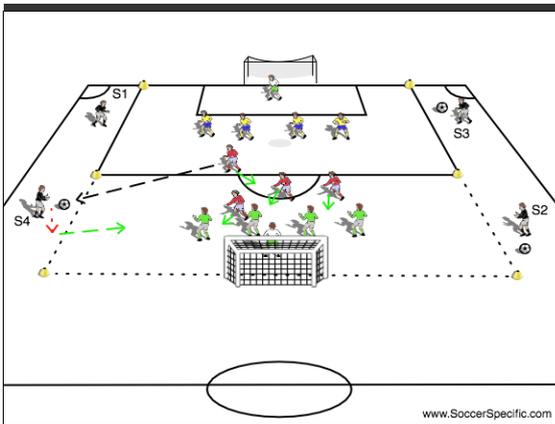


**Setup:** Area marked Approx 40 X 40. Up to 16 players + GKs. 4 v 4 v 4 centrally plus 4 Servers (S) in side zones.

**Instructions:** ATTACK / DEFEND: Improve Attacking and Defending Crosses. Balls are positioned with each wide Server - on Coaches signal one group of 4 attack the goal and cross from either S1,2,3,4. Wide Servers are allowed to play crosses from dead-ball for quality. 4 Players attack / 4 players defend each sequence - (Ex) Yellow attack Red / Red attack Green / Green attack Yellow - sequence of rotation is continuous. Keep record of goals scored beneath team to maintain competitiveness.

**Coaching Points:** Attacking: 1. timing / angle of runs 2. Eye on the ball / attack ball 3. Technique / decision 4. Accuracy/ power 5. Second ball. Defending: 1. Marking player 2. See player and ball 3. Stay tight/ body shape 4. Decision /attack ball 5. Technique / height/distance 6. Second-ball / push up.

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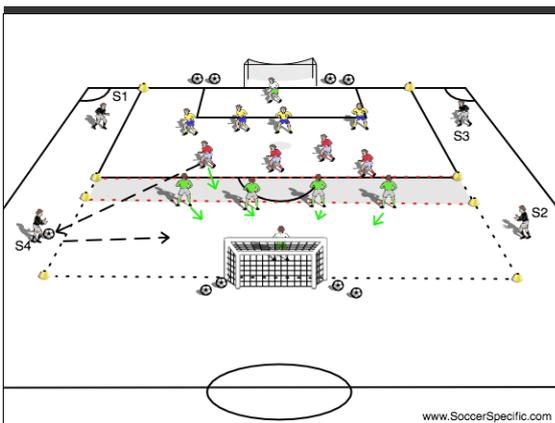
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**Instructions:** ATTACK / DEFEND: Improve Attacking and Defending Crosses. Ball is now passed to Wide Server from central area - 4 attacking Players decide which side to pass to. Wide Servers must now strike moving balls. In the Diagram - S4 has received a pass and must now prepare the ball with one-touch and cross with next touch (if possible). Rotation is continuous.

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