

Topic - Distribution

Welcome to the Goalkeeping Newsletter. Today's topic deals with distribution.

When a keeper gets the ball, there is an order the keeper should look to for distribution.

In the diagram below, the black right winger has beaten his defender and went down the line and crossed the ball to the middle. The keeper went out and won the ball..

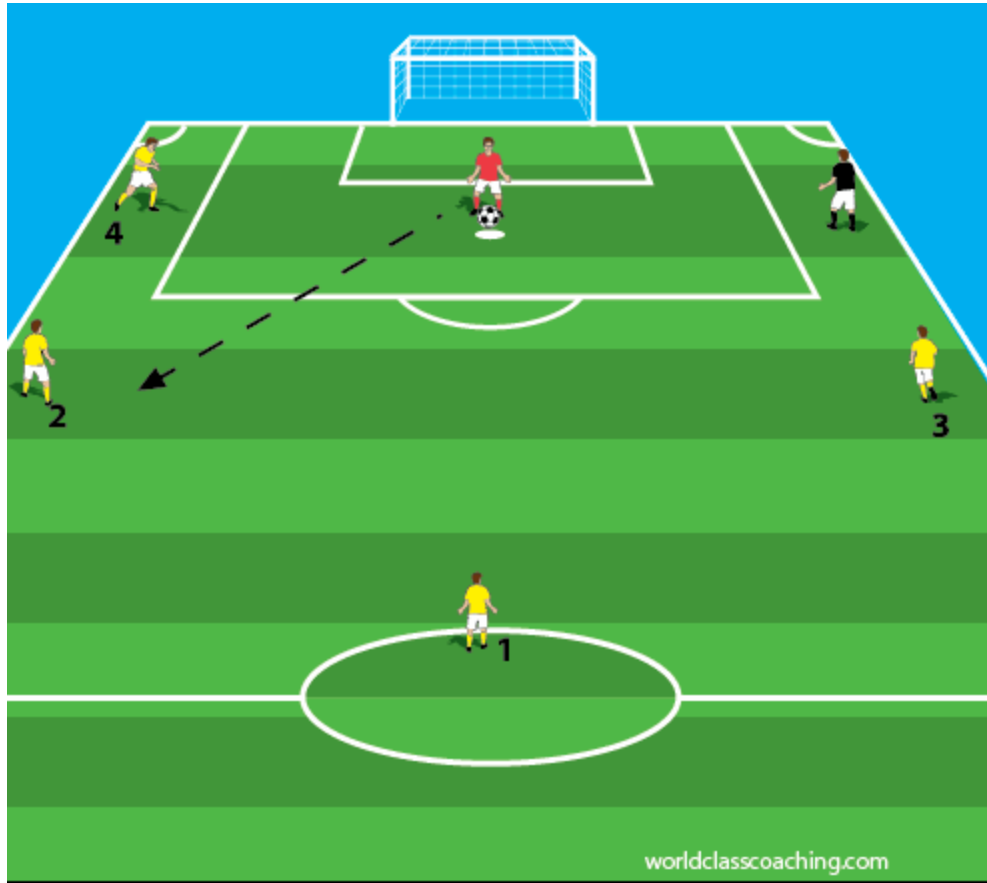




The first player the keeper should look to is player 1. As a general rule, look far first. If this player is open or even in a 1 v 1 situation, consider playing the ball long



Next, look long on an angle in the opposite direction. Since the ball came from the keepers left, he would look to his right to the outside midfielder (yellow 2)



Next look long to the same side the ball came. In this example, since the player was beaten defensively, the opportunity exists to attack into that space. (yellow 3)



Next look short to the opposite side to an outside back yellow 4)



If none of these are available, go back to the long ball

This is a general rule of thumb but if you go through this check down process, you are more likely to be successful with your decision making regarding distribution.

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