

Possession for the Modern Game

Learning Objective: This session is complementary to the field session conducted by the same coach. The coach attending this session will learn about the possession aspects prevalent in International, Domestic League football at the highest levels and also International Youth football.

The game as all coaches are aware is continually evolving and is almost unrecognizable from that of some twenty years ago.

The capability of a team to utilize whatever share of possession it has during games and convert that possession into strikes and goals is paramount if a team is seeking to win games.

So just what “types” of passing must players and teams master if they are to be successful?

Who are the most effective passing teams and players and what do they do to achieve that accolade ?

Who are the good and the great passers of the ball and what separates the good from the great – what is it that makes the difference ?

At the highest levels of the game players are in possession of the ball for varying time durations but is there a difference in the time in possession allowed by the course of a game in the different European Leagues ?

So the session offers an in – depth examination of some of the significant factors in the use of possession at the very highest levels. If that is the case then there will be vital implications for the development of players for the future and consequently in the syllabus for teaching of coaches. The session will also demonstrate the intricacies and skills of top class players by the use of DVD footage to further emphasise the craft, ingenuity and excellence required to penetrate defences in the modern game.

