







POSITIONAL RONDOS IN FORMATION

RONDO is generally used to help teach players good habits and movements while in **POSSESSION**. Players set-up in specific **FORMATION** with aspects to age level. Players in **FORMATION** must stay on their marker while **PASSING** the ball around trying to keep away from **DEFENDER** press. **DEFENDERS** are free to move. Players in **POSSESSION** move the ball creating overloads, i.e., **2v1's - 4v2's**

Progressions:

- Change **FORMATIONS**.
- Gradually add more **DEFENDERS**
- Add multiple balls to raise player awareness.





Possession Activities





Why Possession or Rondo?

"Everything that goes on in a match, except shooting, you can do in a rondo. The competitive aspect, fighting to make space, what to do when in possession and what to do when you haven't got the ball, how to play 'one touch' soccer, how to counteract the tight marking and how to win the ball back." - Johan Cruyff

Benefits:

- Team Collaboration and Positional Play
- Technical Abilities Directional First Touch, One Touch Play, Decision Making, and Creativity
- Tactical Pressure, Speed of Play, and Conditioning

Terms to consider:

- **First Touch** Ability of player to self-pass
- **Angles** Ability of player to create space to receive pass
- 1 Touch Pass Ability to pass ball first time









7v7 Formations













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Positional 7v2 Rondo in 7v7 Formation 1-3-2-1

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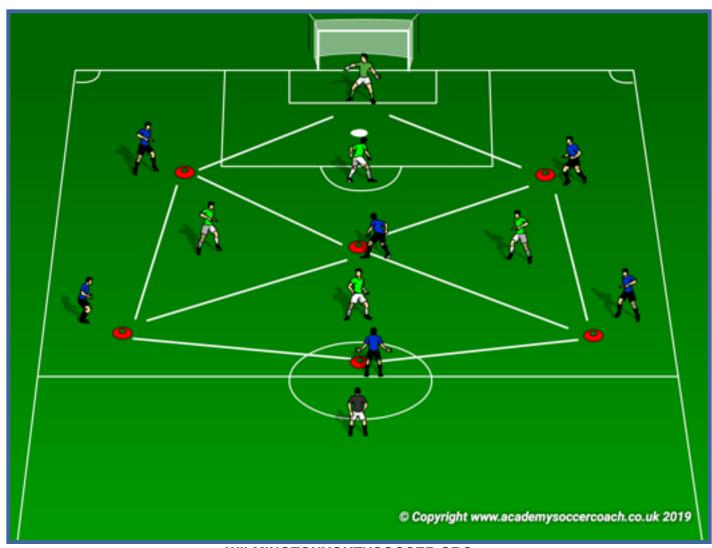


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Positional 7v4 Rondo in 7v7 Formation 1-2-3-1

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POSITIONAL RONDOS IN FORMATION

9v9 Formations



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POSITIONAL RONDO IN FORMATION

Positional 9v4 Rondo in 9v9 Formation 1-3-2-3

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Positional 9v5 Rondo in 9v9 Formation 1-3-2-3

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Positional 9v6 Rondo in 9v9 Formation 1-3-2-3

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POSITIONAL RONDOS IN FORMATION

11v11 Formations



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POSITIONAL RONDO IN FORMATION

Positional 11v6 Rondo in 11v11 Formation 1-4-4-2

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