



# Soccer Steal The Bacon

Tactical Problems

Defending a Goal

Zone Penetration

Maintain Possession

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## Rules of Play

- Using small pylons make a circle about four feet in diameter and place four soccer balls inside. Take four hula hoops and place them at the four corners of the designated playing area (10 feet by 15 feet).
- Have the four players each stand beside a corner circle. On a starting signal all four players move towards the center circle and take one ball using only their feet and dribble it back to their circle.
- Once each player is back at their starting circle, they must attempt to steal a ball from another circle and bring it back to their own while at the same time guarding against their own ball from being taken.
- The objective is to be the first player to have two soccer balls inside their designated circle.

## Variations and Progressions

- The center circle can become a base for players. If they enter the center circle with a ball, no other players can try to take their ball. Only one player may be in the center circle at a time, and must leave after 5 seconds has expired.



## Game Info

### Equipment

4 Soccer balls, 4 Hula Hoops and Pylons (to mark center circle)

### Safety

No pushing or shoving is allowed when trying to take another player's soccer ball

## Tactical Talk

*How can you avoid having soccer balls stolen from your hoop?*

*How do you add soccer balls to your hoop?*

*How do you bring the soccer back to your hoop?*