

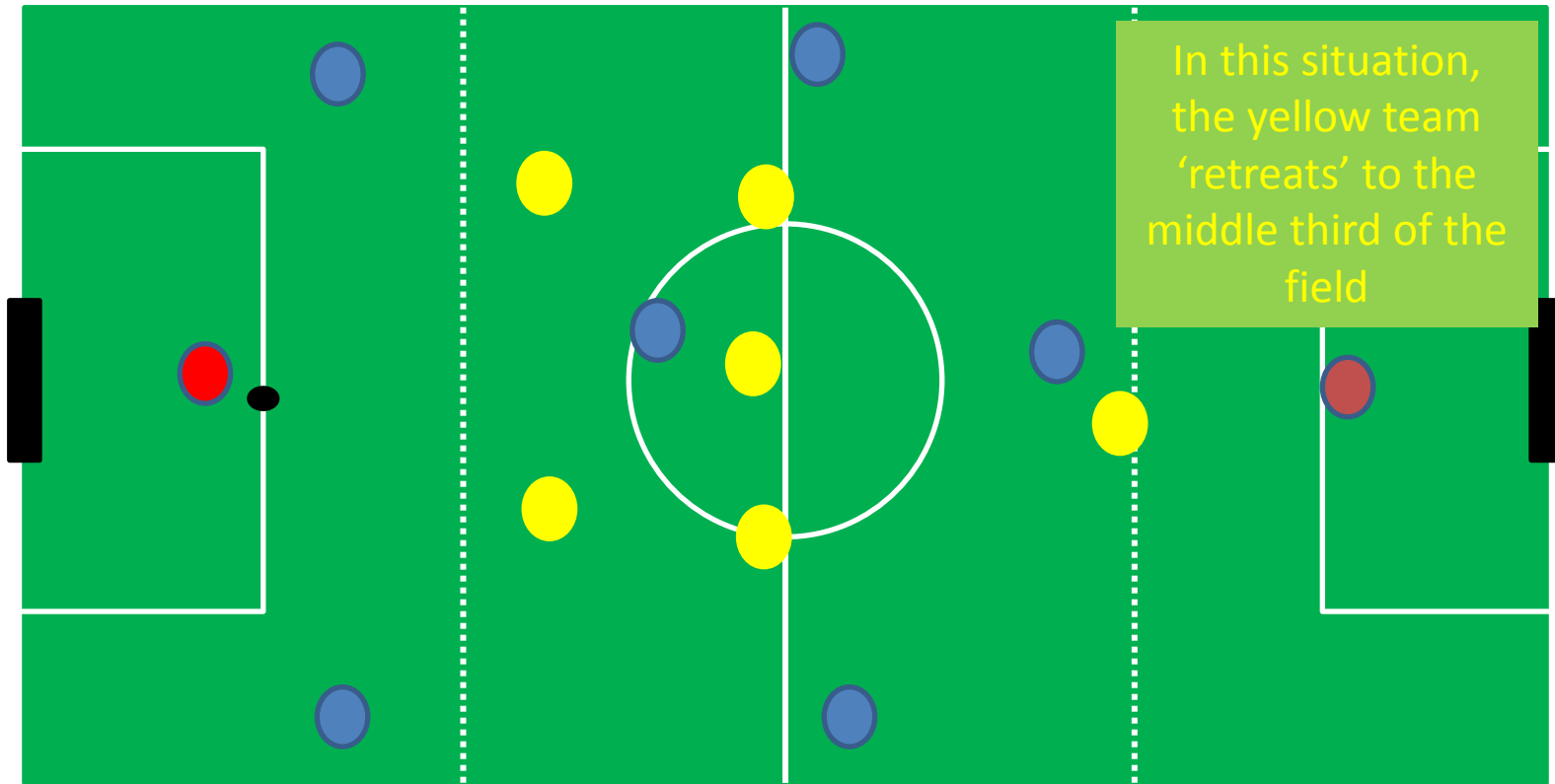
Grassroots Development
'Retreat Line Development Tool'
Info Package

BC Soccer Association



This info package provides key factors with
implementing a retreat line into
Under 9, 10, 11 and 12
small sided soccer game formats





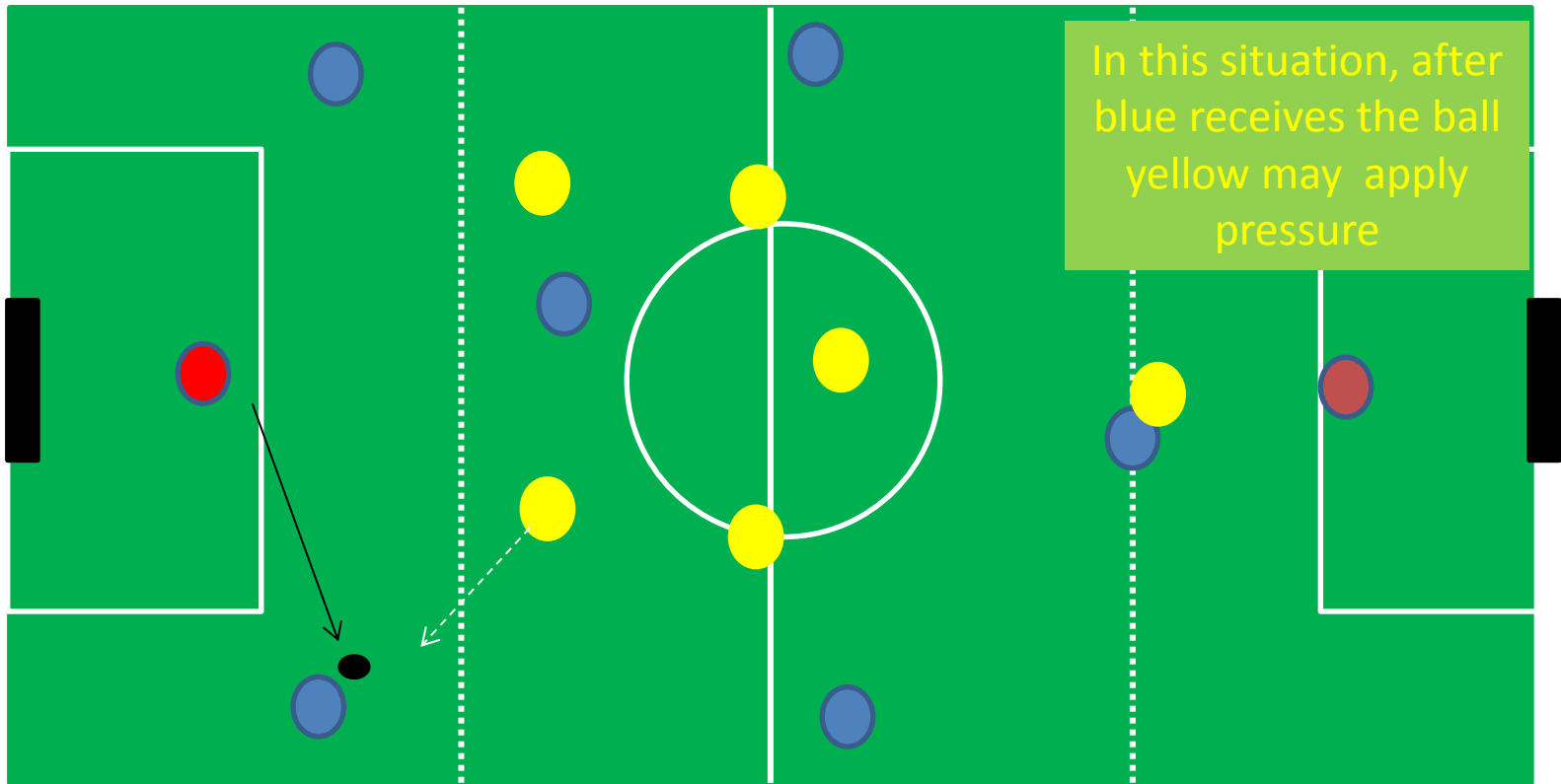
Organization of players before a goal kick



Retreat Line Procedure:

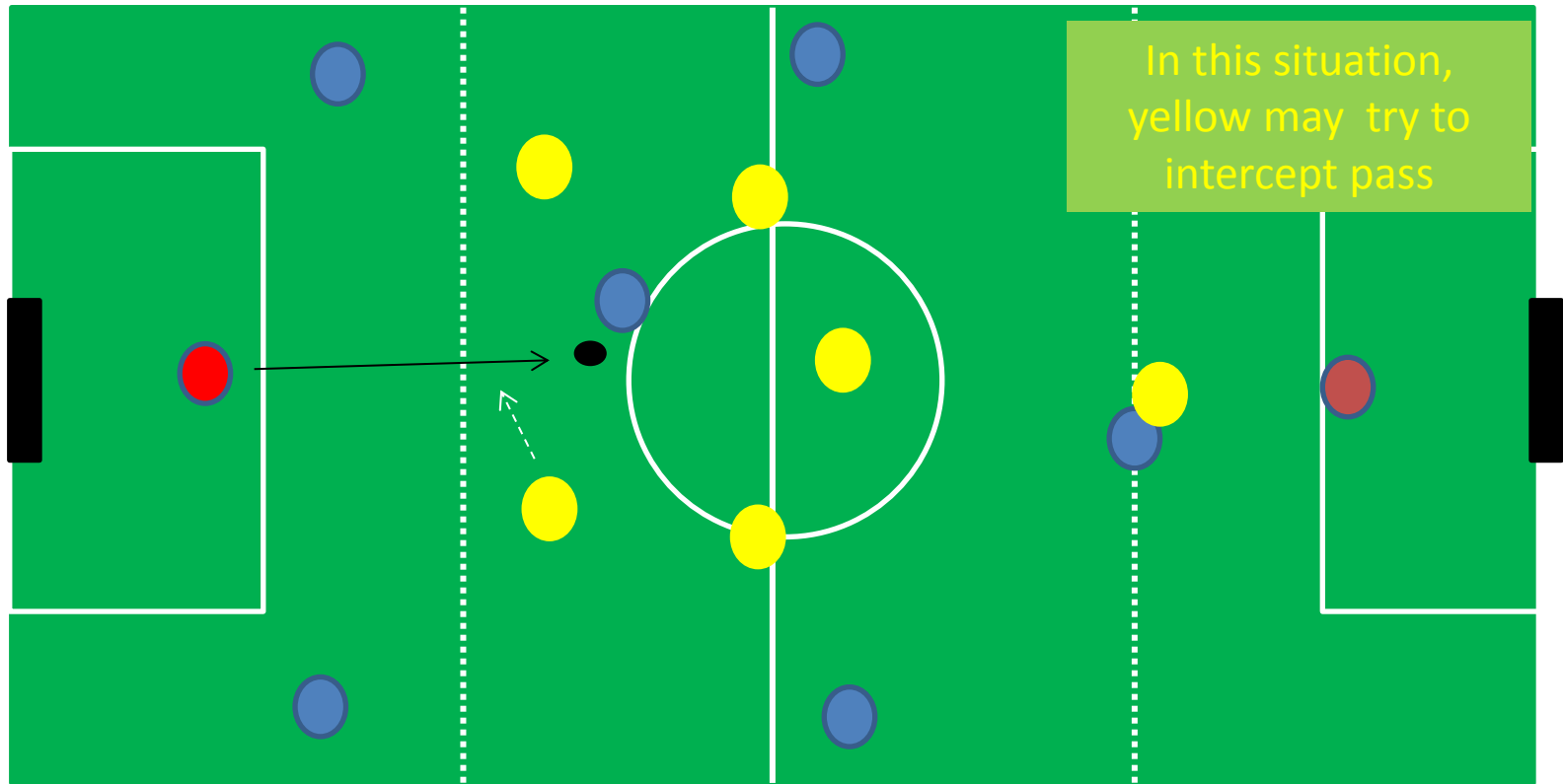
During a goal kick, the opposing team retreats to the middle third of the field and may not pressure the ball until:





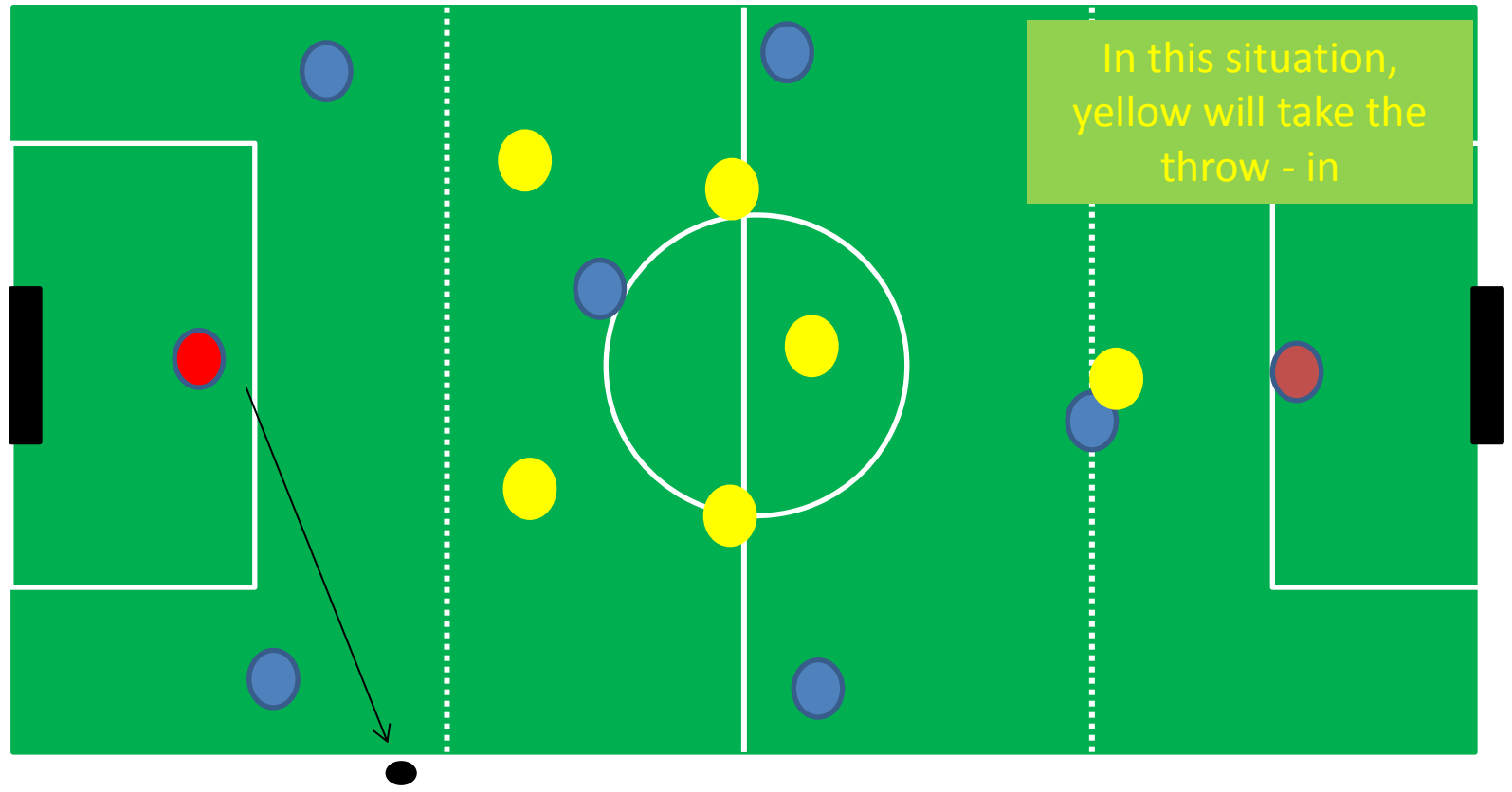
A teammate receives a pass from the Goalkeeper





A long pass goes directly into the middle third of the field.





The ball leaves the field of play



Encroachment of retreat line:

If the defending team encroaches across the retreat line before a teammate receives a pass, *Then* the referee blows the play stopped and issues a re-take of the goal kick.



Encroachment of retreat line:

If the opposing team repeatedly infringes the retreat line, *Then* an indirect free kick shall be awarded from the place where the offence occurred for non-respect of the restart



Making the Right Decision:

Teams are always able to play quickly;

If players choose to play quickly,

Then the ball is in play as soon as it leaves the penalty area regardless of the opposing team's position.



Making the Right Decision:

At times, the correct pass is a long one,

If there is an opportunity to play a long pass to create a counter attack, *Then* it should be encouraged.

