## YMCA Soccer Warm-Up Activities for 10-11-Year-Olds

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| 1. Players dribble in space (one ball per player; see pages 239- <br> 240). <br> 2. Players dribble and turn on signal. | 130 |
| Players in pairs pass and move. | 134 |
| Players in pairs pass the ball hand to hand. Passes should be made so <br> that players' hands must move to catch the ball. | 136 |
| Players play a 1 v 1 game, using a full goal; they dive to save shots. <br> Attacking player can try to score by throwing or shooting. | 140 |
| Pass and move in pairs. | 144 |
| Players play a 6 v 2 game (without a goalkeeper) in which their goal is <br> to make six passes. Instruct players to move to support positions so <br> that the passer can split (i.e., pass between) two defenders. Any pass <br> that splits the defenders counts double. | 147 |
| Players pass and move in pairs. Increase distances and encourage <br> players to get the ball off the ground. | 151 |
| Play 2 v 2 games (without GKs), marking off 20- x 20-yard playing <br> areas. | 155 |
| Play 1 v 1 games in about a 20-yard-long area in which the defender <br> pressures the opponent, trying to channel him or her toward the weak <br> foot. | 159 |
| Players in pairs, 5 to 10 yards apart, practice quick passing, alternating <br> passes with two touches and one touch. | 162 |

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| Players free dribble, changing pace and direction. They try to beat the <br> coach when he or she gets in the way. | 165 |
| GK1 distributes the ball to A1, who dribbles down field and crosses to <br> A2. A2 dribbles and shoots toward cones guarded by GK2. GK2 then <br> distributes to A2, who dribbles and crosses to A1, who shoots on GK1. <br> Then A3 and A4 take A1 and A2's places. | 169 |
| 1 v 1—Players dribble and shoot into goal under pressure. Place a <br> defender behind the attacker; the defender cannot move until the <br> attacker begins the run to goal. The defender, slightly behind the <br> attacker, chases the attacker to the goal as the attacker dribbles and <br> shoots. | 173 |
| Play 1 v 1 in $20-\mathrm{x} 10$-yard area. Review individual marking. | 176 |


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ This page number refers to pages in the "Plans for 10 - to 11 -Year-Olds" document found on the "Season and Practice Plans" page in the YMCA's Coaching Soccer online course.

