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US Youth Soccer is the largest member of the United States Soccer Federation.

U.S. Soccer is the FIFA and IOC recognized National Governing Body for soccer.
The Problem

The predominate level and style of play for the American player has plateaued at a mediocre level. Too many clubs, players and coaches are satisfied with a kick-n-run game based on long kicks of the ball and sprinting, which is possible in an unlimited substitution game.

*Boot It and Shoot It* - is lawn chair logic.

We can overcome this stagnation!
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“Knowledge is not skill. Knowledge plus ten thousand times is skill.”

- Shinichi Suzuki

The USA soccer landscape is evolving.

Coaches must keep up with the changes and indeed be change agents.
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Coaches are on the front line of the evolution of the game in America. Coaches must be involved decision makers. Informed decision makers are well educated.

Participation + Education = Change Agent
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Coaching education is the strongest thread tying together all that we do in youth soccer.

Player development is vastly influenced by appropriately educated and experienced coaches.
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Coaching Certification Courses

- TOPSoccer Coaching Course
- U6/U8 Youth Module
- U10/U12 Youth Module
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• US Youth Soccer provides education materials and resources to the state associations and member clubs.

• The delivery of on-line education for coaches, administrators and parents will increase during 2013.
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Coaching Education Materials

- US Youth Soccer Player Development Model
- The Official US Youth Soccer Coaching Manual
- Vision
- Technical Manual
- How to Write a Session Plan
- Help! I Volunteered
- Recommended Reading List
- Blog

FREE
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Available in 2013 will be *Coaching the Principles of Play Through Small-Sided Games*. The video segments will be posted on the education platform of US Youth Soccer. The video segments are in both English and Spanish.

2013

- 1ˢᵗ Quarter: U10
- 2ⁿᵈ Quarter: U6
- 3ʳᵈ Quarter: U12
- 4ᵗʰ Quarter: U8
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• Video library
  – US Youth Soccer web site
  – YouTube

• DVD offerings
  – Positive Parenting DVD $2.00
  – Skills School DVD $3.00
  – The Novice Coach: An Introduction to Coaching Youth Soccer DVD
    • Volume 1 U6/U8 $3.00
    • Volume 2 U10/U12 $3.00
    • Two disc set $5.00
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Resources

Pay Materials

• FUEL magazine $2.00
• Assistant Coach Series: U6/U8 Practice Activities $2.50
• Assistant Coach Series: U10 Practice Activities $2.50
• Assistant Coach Series: U12 Practice Activities $2.50
• TOPSoccer Manual $2.00
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• A smartphone app of training session activities from the book Coaching Youth Soccer is available through the American Sport Education Program on the Human Kinetics web site.
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Youth Modules

• U6/U8 Youth Module

• U10/U12 Youth Module

• Theory (classroom) portions are on-line via your National State Association and US Youth Soccer

• Practical (field) portion of the course must be completed to receive certification
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Resource & Service

• Concussion Course
• Club Directory
• Tournament Database
• National Coach Database (email resources sent periodically)
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Coaches Connection

Symposium
Articles
Training session plans
Coaching tips
Calendar of events

.From The Desk To The Field – opportunity for you to share editorials or articles
‘Coach of the Month’ Spotlight – nominate coaches who put player development first and foremost
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TOPSoccer

• A 4 hour introductory course is available through your National State Association
  – 2.5 hours theory (class)
  – 1.5 hours practical (field)

• TOPSoccer welcomes players of all abilities and focuses on grouping players by similar skill, talent and ability rather than by age group. This system promotes personal development and makes the experience fun for all of the players.
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National Youth License

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Annual Workshop

• Education sessions for Administrators, Coaches and Referees.
  – 40 sessions
  • Those presentations are posted on the US Youth Soccer web site after the Workshop.
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The Show

Tell us what’s happening in your club!
Maybe a segment for our nationally telecast show will be from your club.
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Our solution to *Boot It and Shoot It* is planned and assertive education of parents, administrators and coaches. In that order!

The present and future of coaching education.

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