U.S. Soccer Player Development Initiative
7v7 Build Out Line:

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7v7 Build Out Line: (promotes playing the ball out of the back in a less pressured setting)
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- Make sure you review the 10 min video at the end of this presentation.
- When goalkeeper has the ball, either during play (from the opponent) or from a goal kick:
  - Opposing team must move behind the build out line until the ball is released to play.
  - The ball is in play when it leaves the penalty area.
  - The attacking teams players (teammates of the goalkeeper in possession of the ball) do not have to fall back to the build out line.
- Goalkeeper releases the ball to play by:
  - Throwing it
  - Rolling it.
  - Passing it (putting ball on the ground and kicking)
- Goalkeeper MAY NOT PUNT the ball (no bounce/volley as well)
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• The goalkeeper MAY release the ball BEFORE the opponents are behind the build out line.

• After the ball is put into play by the goalkeeper, the opposing team can cross the build out line and play resumes as normal.

• If the goalkeeper PUNTS the ball, it is an infraction
  • Indirect Free Kick to opponents
  • At the spot the ball was punted
    • (If in Goal Area, move to top of Goal Area)
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Offside

• Players are NOT to be penalized for an offside offense if they are between the halfway line and the build out line (in their opponent’s half of the field).

• Players are only to be penalized for offside infractions if they are between the build out line and the goal line (in their opponent’s half of the field).
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• MSYSA in collaboration with the MRC has developed a 10 minute video relating to the Build Out Line (also included – Small Sided games chart) at the following link:

https://youtu.be/54XjZK4LDzc?list=PLp1V-KcSkiEsfiWPtaCMjuo2SHEVDCzZ

• US Soccer has also developed a Player Development Initiatives presentation at the following link: