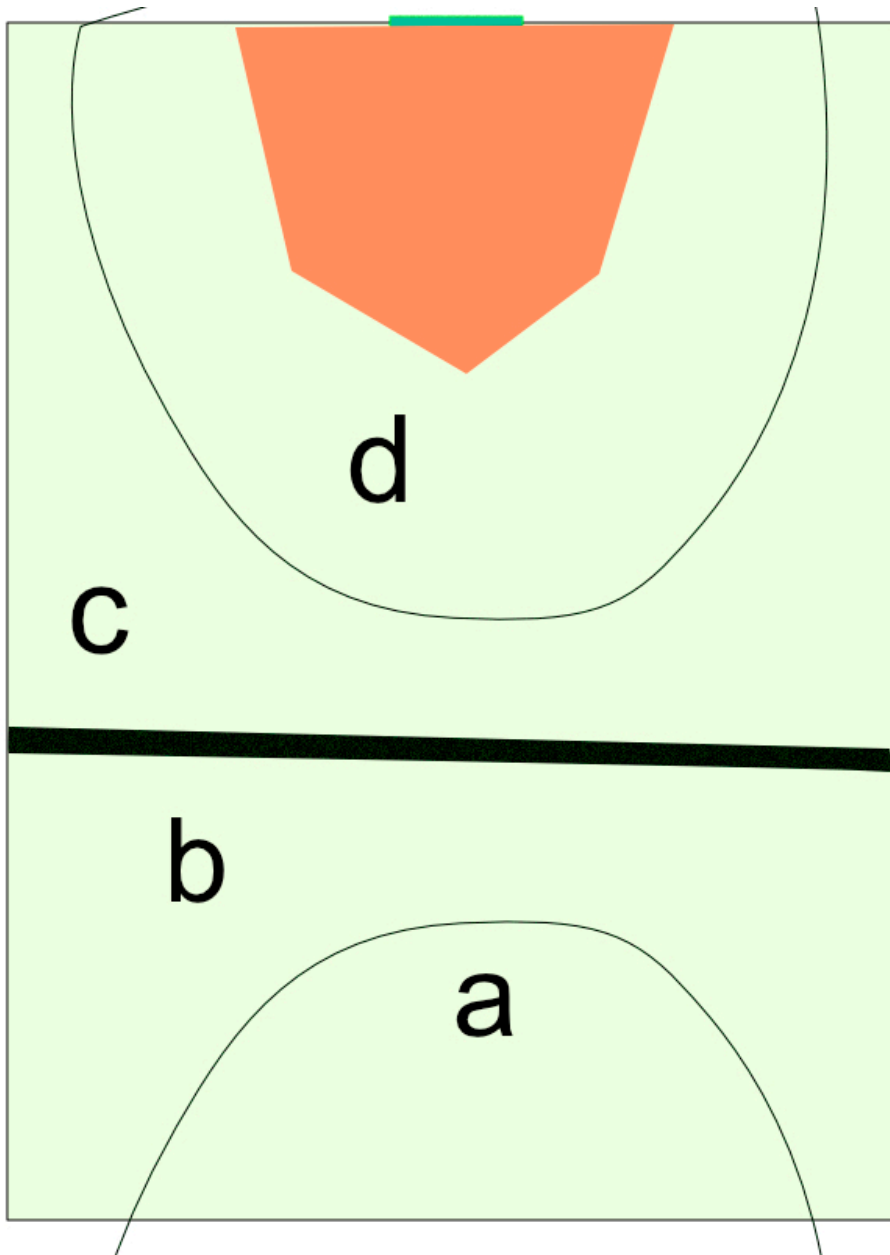


Football without the offside rule?



Here is my suggestion – (though I myself do not play European-football..)

Ball may be passed, kicked, dribbled across only one line at a time.

For example, moving ball from a to d requires three passes or dribble crosses...

If more than one line is crossed then whistle blows. Ball is stopped and free ball for opposite team.

Only one offensive player can enter

triangular area, and only via dribbling into area alone. Only goalkeeper plus two defenders can operate in triangular area at one moment... (Perhaps marking defender plus goalkeeper plus one –or two– designated defenders.)

No corner kicks. Outer boundary is a line. Throw-in can be from endline to d for example, or else kick-in or throw-in from outside to c or to b for offensive team here.

Only goalkeeper can kick/pass and clear ball across two lines, here from triangular area to c.

Goal is slightly narrower.

No arm grabbing.

Injured players who do not get up after two minutes must leave the field for two minutes...

Shoulder position with regard to incoming ball determines player position for header, etc...

Eight players total. One squad-replacement of five persons allowed per half.

Goal may be slightly narrower.

Referee can penalize for stalling if offensive team is three points ahead.

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