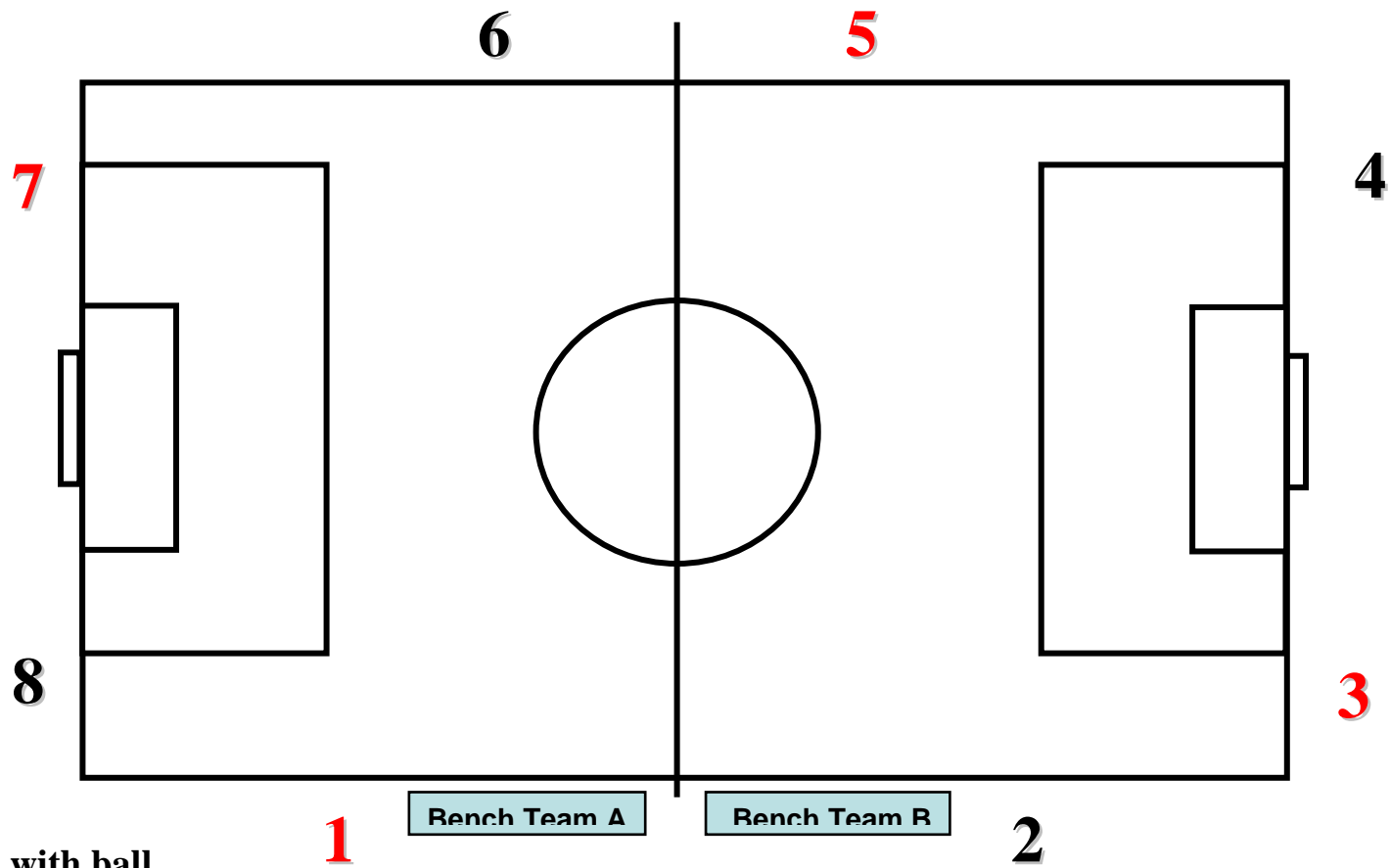


Ball Kids: Responsibilities

- 8 or more ball kids are spread around the field (at least 2 ball kids behind each goal line and 2 between the benches and corner flags)
- There should be at least 2 balls behind each goal and each sideline
- The ball kids should stand behind the advertising boards without obstructing the view of the spectators.
- The balls should be held still in their hands, and under no circumstances may the ball kids play with the balls with their hands or with their feet
- If the ball lands behind the advertising boards or in the crowd, the ball kid closest to the player who intends to return the ball into play should hand their ball to the player or place it next to the player on the ground.
- The ball kid without a ball that is closest to the ball that went out of play should run to retrieve the ball and return to their position
- The ball kids should be familiar with the Laws of the Game and know whether play should continue with a corner kick, goal kick or throw-in.
- When a non-active ball is positioned on the inside of the advertising boards the closest ball kid should fetch the ball, but only when play is taking place on the opposite side of the field.
- The ball kids should concentrate on the game to ensure that only one ball is returned to play
- The ball kids are strictly prohibited from entering the field or the technical area unless directed to do so by a game official.
- Ball kids fall under the jurisdiction of the referee. Pregame instructions will be provided to ball kids by the game officials. Delays in returning a ball into play through deliberate actions or a lack of concentration may result in the removal of a ball kid from the field.

Ball Kids: Positioning



RED = with ball
BLACK = without ball