



① Drop Pass w/ Low Walk

As **(X1)** moves out from behind the net, **C** and **D1** must close the gap to prevent a drive between them. As **X2** sets up for a drop pass, **D1** must recognize this and have her stick down to intercept pass. ^① If drop pass is made and **D1** is beaten on the drive, **D2** must react quickly.

② THE SWITCH... As **X2** receives the ring and drives low, **D2** steps down to prevent **X2** from driving across the crease. **D2**'s main focus is to stop ring carrier from crossing past the post. ^① is the imaginary barrier. **D1** must SWITCH to the opposite side to cover any cross crease or middle passing lanes. ^② **C** stays with **X1** and prevents her from driving down middle to receive a one-timer pass. ^③

③ All defensive players MUST have their sticks down to cover all passing lanes and use their bodies to box players out from our goaltenders (always **GOAL SIDE!**)