## W. Pollany: Play 5-6 and 6-5 in offense

Play 5-6; defense stays in a 6-0 set





Play 6-5; defense in 5-0 set (POL)

This is a set-up without LW.

Instead the LP will sweep inside from the position of LW following the ball flight.

After the crossing with the ball between PM and RB the offense will create a 4-3 superiority on the right side although playing shorthanded.

Solutions might be pass to the LP, pass to the PM (righthanded) for penetration, direct pass to the RW.

The LW will start an inside move with the ball and play a diagonal pass to the RW on his inside move.

There will be a first crossing with the ball of the two wing players and after that the RW will launch another diagonal pass to the LB.

The LW will follow the pass flight to the centre and with the RW continuing the inside move a 3-2 situation can be created for the LB.



For several years now POL use to play this version of the move to the line by the PM.

The problem is that the RB has to decide between 4 different options very fast.

In the past this worked quite well because the lefthanders used to be in good shape and were quite experienced.

But if the lefthander in this position happens to be out of shape a lot of mistakes will occur.



In the version of FRA the RB will not move inside but will start an outside move.

They have played it in this way for years with a righthander in this position thus giving an excellent chance for the continuation to the RW.

And now they stay with the move even with a lefthander in the position RB.

Most other teams play an inside switch of the lefthander.



The traditional concept of CRO in the 6-5 play.

The concept has been picked up by a couple of other teams by now.

Crossing PM-RB followed by a diagonal pass to the LB; on his inside swing he pulls the entire defense away from the LW who will receive the counter diagonal pass from the LB.

If the OR does not jump in to cover the LP, the short pass will go to this player at once.

The first concept 6-5 might be played with a pass to LB before the transition as well, small variations are played by many teams.

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