

Title (en)  
APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR SOCCER TRAINING AND PRACTICE

Title (de)  
VORRICHTUNG UND METHODE ZUM TRAINIEREN UND AUSUBEN VON FUBBALL

Title (fr)  
DISPOSITIF ET PROCEDE D'ENTRAINEMENT ET DE PRATIQUE DE FOOTBALL

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Abstract (en)  
[origin: WO0158537A1] An apparatus for holding and returning a soccer ball including an anchoring means. A preferred embodiment of the anchoring means is a spiral tie down stake (15). The spiral tie down stake has a rotating loop (40) which swivels 360 degrees around the stake and 360 degrees around the perpendicular axis of the loop preventing the attached ball tether (75) from tangling. An alternative anchoring means consists of a weighted base (100). A detachable link (55) is attached to the anchoring means by way of a swivel-eyebolt (70) connection allowing a 360 degree spin for the ball. The link in turn is connected to a first end of an elastic tether cord (75). A second end of the tether cord is attached to an adjustable durable nylon net (85) for holding the ball.

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