

OVERVIEW

SOCCER 'BOT – NO SOLDER (Code: SOCCER-NS)

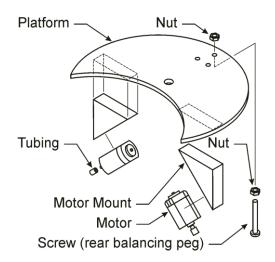
DESCRIPTION

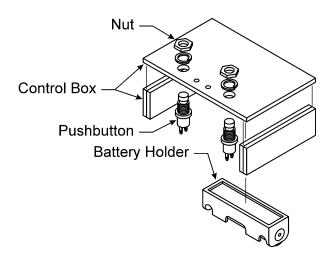
The SOCCER 'BOT is a simple electromechanical device that responds to a wired handheld controller. Two push button switches steer the device to move forwards, left or right.

The scoop at the front of the SOCCER 'BOT can "capture" a tennis ball to play a game of soccer between two or more participants. The scoop is shallow enough to allow a competitor to knock the tennis ball out of control, then capture the ball and try to score.



LEVEL:	Introductory
HOURS TO CONSTRUCT:	7 hours
SKILL DEVELOPMENT:	 Planning and Design
	Manufacturing
	Soldering
	Mechanical
	Electrical







WHAT'S IN THE KIT?

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- □ All the mechanical and electrical components required to make the SOCCER 'BOT work including the motors, battery holder, switches and screw-on connectors.
- □ A detailed teaching unit with a complete parts list, design suggestions, and general construction guidelines.



WHAT ELSE IS NEEDED?

The following items are required and are available from Scorpio Technology, but need to be ordered separately:

- □ 1 x Battery AA
- \Box Cable ties (100mm x 3.65mm)
- □ Hot Glue or Double-sided adhesive tape
- □ Single-sided adhesive tape

(BATTAA - 4 pack or BATTALK40 - 40 pack) (CABTIE100) (GLUESTK)

(TAPEDS or TAPEDS20X15X1) (TAPESS)

The following material is to be supplied by the student / teacher:

□ Material for the components (PVC or acrylic sheet, plywood, etc.)

TOOLS REQUIRED

The following tools are required. Several are available from Scorpio Technology, and can be ordered separately if required:

REQUIRED TOOLS	ORDERING CODE
Assorted hand tools (depending on materials used)	-
Ruler and pen	-
Craft knife	CRKNF
Wire strippers	WIRESTR
Spanner for the nuts on the Pushbutton switch	-
Drill Bit – 7.0mm	-
Drill Bit – 3.5mm	DB3.5

ABOUT THE PROJECT

The major features of this project are the planning, design, construction and assembly stages of a simple wire controlled robotic device.

DESIGN PHASE

□ Create your own unique SOCCER 'BOT design based on our drawings which focus on component relationships, rather than dimensions. This provides scope for

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students to individualise their *SOCCER* 'BOT design and increase their engagement in the project.

- □ There are two parts of the *SOCCER* 'BOT to design:
 - \circ the SOCCER 'BOT itself.
 - the handheld control unit.

During the **Design phase**, students will need to:

- Evaluate the suitability of various materials, such as PVC, acrylic, plywood or balsa wood
- $\hfill\square$ Determine where to place the motors
- $\hfill\square$ Determine what to use as the 3rd "leg" to support the 'Bot
- □ Evaluate the ergonomics of the handheld control unit
- □ Evaluate available technologies that can be used, for example:
 - 3D printer
 - laser cutter (which allows more interesting shapes than usual)
 - vacuum former
- □ Take into account weight distribution and ease of operation
- □ Consider the practical aspects of construction and assembly. For example, where to drill holes for the wires to the motors

MAKING / CONSTRUCTION

Once the Design process has been completed, the students will be able to start **building their design**. They will:

- □ Make and assemble the *SOCCER* '*BOT* platform and control unit that they have designed (platform, motor mounts and balancing peg, control unit)
- \Box Mount the motors, axles, wheels and balancing 3^{rd} leg on to the platform
- □ Mount the battery holder and switches to the control unit
- $\hfill\square$ Wire up the switches, battery holder and motors
- $\hfill\square$ Test and adjust the <code>SOCCER</code> 'BOT
- □ Troubleshoot any problems!

DOES THE TEACHING UNIT INCLUDE ANY THEORY?

The Teaching unit does not have a THEORY section.

For more information and ideas, go to our website: https://www.scorpiotechnology.com.au/kits-in-action



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