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The major purposes of this research were to study and contrast the effects of imagery training on

penalty kick accuracy in soccer player. The subjects in this study consisted of twenty male football youth

players of Samutprakarn Province, who were under the preparation for 2007 national youth games, age of

16-17. The subjects were selected through simple random sampling and then devided into two groups by

randomly assignment method. They were control group (penalty kick accuracy training) and experimental

group (imagery combined with penalty kick accuracy training). All two groups were trained three times per

week on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 5.00-6.30 p.m. for the period of 8 weeks. Data were analyzed

by using mean, standard diviation, t-test (independent), two-way analysis of variance with repeated measure,

one-way analysis of variance with repeated measure, followed by multiple comparison testing by using the

Tukey' method. Results were showed significant different for p < .05.

After the fourth and the eighth week of training, the penalty kick accuracy of the experimental group

was better than control group. In addition, a comparison within the experimental group showed that the

penalty kick accuracy at the end of the fourth week was different from the eighth week. While the control

was significant different during the pretest and after the eighth week.

The results indicated that the imagery training was effected in increasing penalty kick accuracy in

soccer player. The findings will be useful and fruitful in improving the soccer players as well.

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