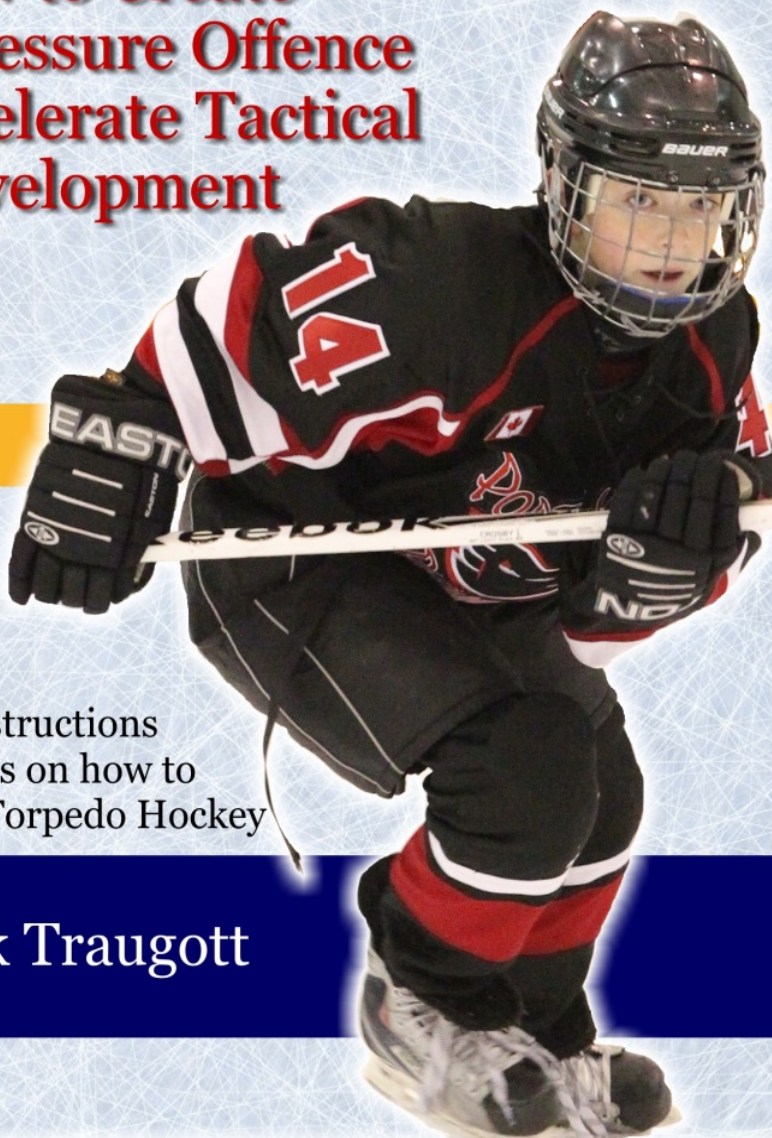


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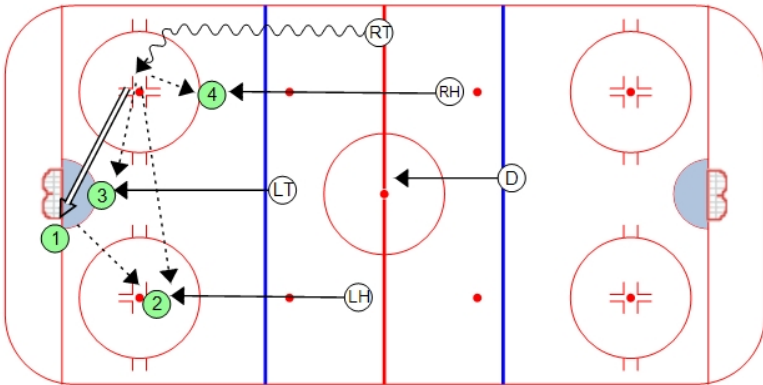
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## Offensive Zone Entry

Our Offensive Zone Entry (OZE) may not differ much from most team's OZE. We have seen a shift from the third person into the zone staying high and in the deep slot to that player moving down the far dot line just back from the puck carrier's position on the ice.

For the sake of this diagram and explanation, let's assume the **RT** is carrying the puck over the offensive blue line and the **LT** is second over the line in mid-ice. Here are the designated responsibilities in an ideal OZE:

Diagram 6



**RT** - carries the puck wide across the blue line.

**LT** - moves to mid-ice and drives the center post of the net with his stick on the ice. He stops on top of the crease and looks for a rebound.

**LH** - moves to the weak side dot line and follows the play in a passing lane just above the two defenders. This is a key position in this OZE. One of the reasons that many teams have the third man move to the weak side of the ice is so that there may be a better secondary scoring chance. The goaltender has to move all the way across the net rather than just readjust for a shooter in the deep slot.

**RH** - moves to the strong side dot line and comes late into the offensive zone.

The **RT** has four standard options. In the diagram:

- 1) Shoot to the far pad of the goalie for a rebound to the **LH**.

- 2) Pass through the passing lane to the **LH**.
- 3) Pass into the middle of the ice for a quick shot on net from the **LT**.
- 4) Drop pass to the **RH** coming into the zone late.

**D** - typically the **D** takes up his position in the middle of the blue line. But, if there is anticipation of a shot from the **RT** then the **D** has to cheat to the left side in case there is a wide shot and the puck comes around the boards quickly headed out of the zone.