



FIFA 23

Accessibility Score: ★★★★★

Football in FIFA 23 is often treated as a visual game, but for blind players, it can be transformed into a match of sound precision, spatial memory, and tactical passing. Your core tools will be audio cues, pitch awareness, team coordination, and muscle memory.

Learning the Pitch by Ear

- Start With Practice Matches: Play offline against AI on the lowest difficulty to focus on movement and passing without competitive pressure.
- Know the Zones: Mentally divide the pitch into thirds - defensive third, midfield, attacking third - and picture yourself moving between them.
- Memorize Your Starting Shape: Learn the audio differences when your team is in possession versus defending, so you always know your role.
- Goal & Net Sounds: In some stadiums, the audio ambience shifts slightly near the penalty box - use crowd surges and commentary cues to know you're close to goal

Your Team, Your Playstyle

- Control One Player at a Time: Player Lock lets you stick to one role and avoid confusion with off-ball runs.
- Strikers: Focus on short sprints and timing your runs based on the commentary cues for passes.
- Midfielders: Keep passing simple, using short passes to maintain control and reset plays.
- Defenders: Time tackles based on opponent footsteps and commentary reactions.

Audio: Your Football GPS

- Commentary Cues: Pay attention to the tone and excitement in the commentators' voices—this can signal scoring chances or danger.
- Crowd Reactions: Sudden volume spikes often mean you're near goal or a big play is happening.





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- Referee Whistle: Learn the variations—kick-off, fouls, advantage plays, and halftime/full-time all sound different.
- Ball Sounds: The thud of a pass, dribble touches, or the crack of a shot tells you where the action is happening.

Building Match Awareness

- Pass and Listen: After every pass, quickly adjust based on crowd or commentary feedback.
- Avoid Over-Dribbling: The longer you hold the ball without passing, the harder it is to track position.
- Reset With the Keeper: Passing back to the goalkeeper resets your mental map of the pitch.
- Anticipate AI Movement: AI teammates in FIFA follow predictable positioning—use this to your advantage when passing blind.

Close Control and Set Pieces

- Short Passing Over Long Balls: More predictable and easier to control by sound cues.
- Penalty Kicks: Use the vibration feedback and consistent power timing to hit the target.
- Corners & Free Kicks: Practice these in Skill Games until you can repeat the motion without sight.
- Shielding the Ball: Hold off opponents while listening for the best passing moment.

Match Settings for Accessibility

- Commentary Volume High, Music Low: Keeps vital information clear.
- Vibration Feedback On: Gives extra clues for tackles, passes, and shots.
- Slower Game Speed: Increases reaction time.

