

## Marking a Rounders Pitch

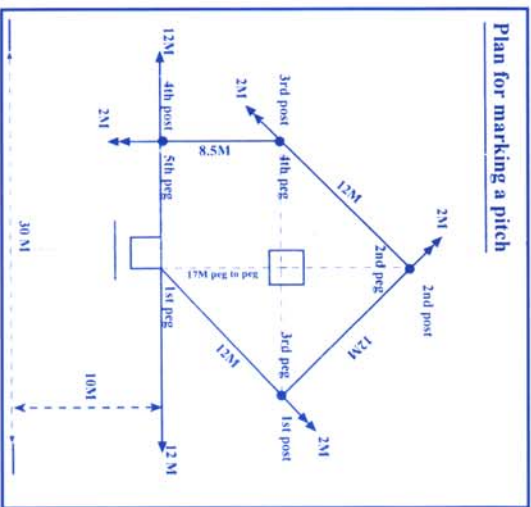
Dimensions include width of lines. The simplest way of marking is by using lengths of string. Put a peg in the ground where the right hand front corner of the batting square is to be and directly opposite that another peg at a distance of 17m. This gives the position for 2nd Post. Take a length of string measuring 24m, and tie a knot in the centre (each half 12m.) Tie one end of string to each peg and carry the centre knot out to the right until string is taut. At the 1st Post. Then carry the centre knot to the left, pull string taut, put in a peg. This gives position of 3rd Post. Take a length of string 17m long with a centre knot (each half 8.5 m) and tie one end to the peg at 3rd Post and the other to the peg first put in the corner of the batting square. This gives location of 4th Post.

To locate centre of front line of the bowling square, stretch the 17m string from first peg to the second post, then measure a distance of 7.5 m along the string. The front line of the bowling square can then be marked 1.25m either side of the string and parallel to the front line of the batting square. The other 3 sides of the square can then be marked. It will be found that if the string is stretched between 1st and 3rd Posts it cuts the side line of the square 1m from the front line.

The front line of the batting square is made by marking a line extending 2 m from the first peg towards and in direct line with the 4th Post and parallel to the front of the bowling square. The remaining 3 sides of the square can then be marked.

The front line of the batting square is extended in both directions for at least 12m, and a further line is marked from the right hand front corner of batting square to 1st Post.

At least 10 m behind the front line of the batting square and 15 m either side of the front right hand corner of the square, lines shall be drawn to mark the positions for waiting batters and batters out. A line 2 m long must be marked from 4th Post, parallel to the batting square. In addition there is a line 5m long, one meter behind the batting square. All lines are compulsory.



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