

Field Prep Instructions for AA - AAAA

1. Get the carabiner clip, hose, PVC batting box template, rake and drag from the shed
2. Hang the carabiner clip with rules on the backstop fence
3. Use the rake to level out any holes or mounds around the pitching circle, home plate, and bases, or elsewhere on the field.
4. Find the hose connector on the field and connect the hose
5. Hose down the field. It should be wet enough to keep the dust down when the field is dragged.
6. Drag the field. Start from the pitching circle and work out, or from the outside and work in. Do not drag within 3 feet of the grass, use the rake for that.
7. Install the bases, using the orange and white bag for first base. Note the direction of arrows for breakaway bases.
8. Mark the batters box by putting down the template and using the rake to mark the lines in the dirt so you know where to mark the lines. The longer piece of pipe points forward. The rake is 3 feet wide, the same width as the batters box. Once the rake lines are down, use the chalk or paint cart to mark the lines.
9. Mark the foul lines which extended from the back of home plate to just outside the third base, and between the white and orange parts of first base, to the outfield grass. Use a string as a guide. Do not draw the lines inside the batters box.
10. Mark the running lane on the first baseline. It runs 30' (half the distance from home to first base) from first base to home and is 3 feet wide in foul territory (width of the rake).
11. Mark the coaches boxes which are 8 feet from the first and third baselines, are 15' long, and 3' deep (remember the rake is 3' long, you can use this to mark them in the dirt and then follow up with chalk/paint)
12. Measure the pitching distance (30' AA, 35' AAA, 40' Silver, 43' Gold) and install the pitching rubber if necessary.
13. Use the rake to mark the pitching circle by placing one end of the rake bottom on the rubber and dragging handle in a circle around it. Mark using chalk/paint with the inside wheel of the cart on the marked circle (chalk/paint circle slightly larger than rake marked one).
14. Mark the two on-deck circles
15. Put away all the equipment

Fast Pitch College / High School Softball Field Dimensions

Note: This field diagram is provided as a courtesy service of Markers, Inc. If you have any question about this diagram, please contact your league office.

*for high school fast pitch softball
the distance between the pitchers mound and home plate is 46'.

