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NFHS Softball

Pitching Plate Relocation Instructions

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- This PowerPoint presentation was produced to assist schools in relocating their pitching plate from 40 to 43 feet.
- Special thanks to Mike Hebrard of Athletic Field Design in Clackamas, OR for creating this presentation.



Softball Pitching Plate Relocation

40' to 43'

Presented by Athletic Field Design
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Tools and Materials needed

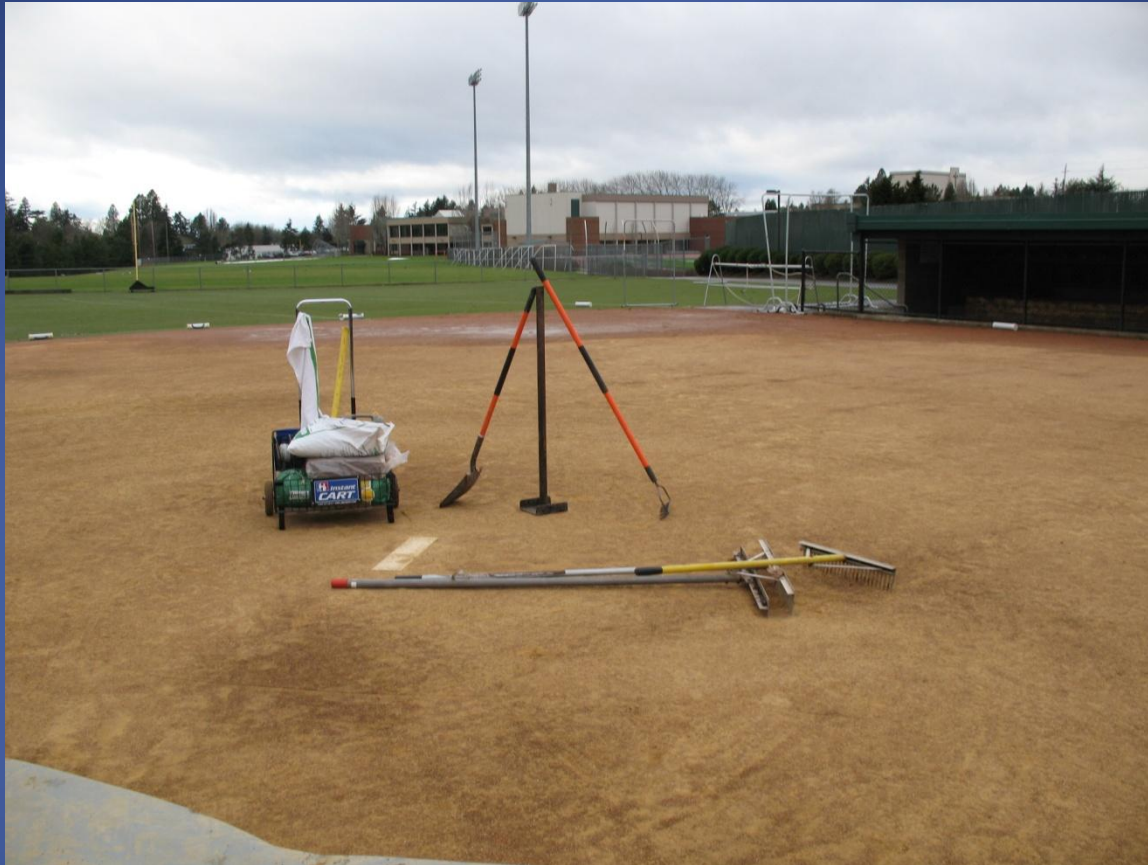
• Tools

- Pick
- Square Point Shovel
- Landscape Rake
- Level
- Builders Triangle
- String and Screwdrivers
- Stomper
- 100' Tape Measure
- Towel
- Pen

Materials

- Mound Bricks
- Water
- Mound Clay
- Infield Topdressing
- Builders Triangle
- String and Screwdrivers
- Stomper
- 100' Tape Measure





Tools & Materials Needed





Pick Pitching Plate Edges and Remove





Add Water and Pack Old Location





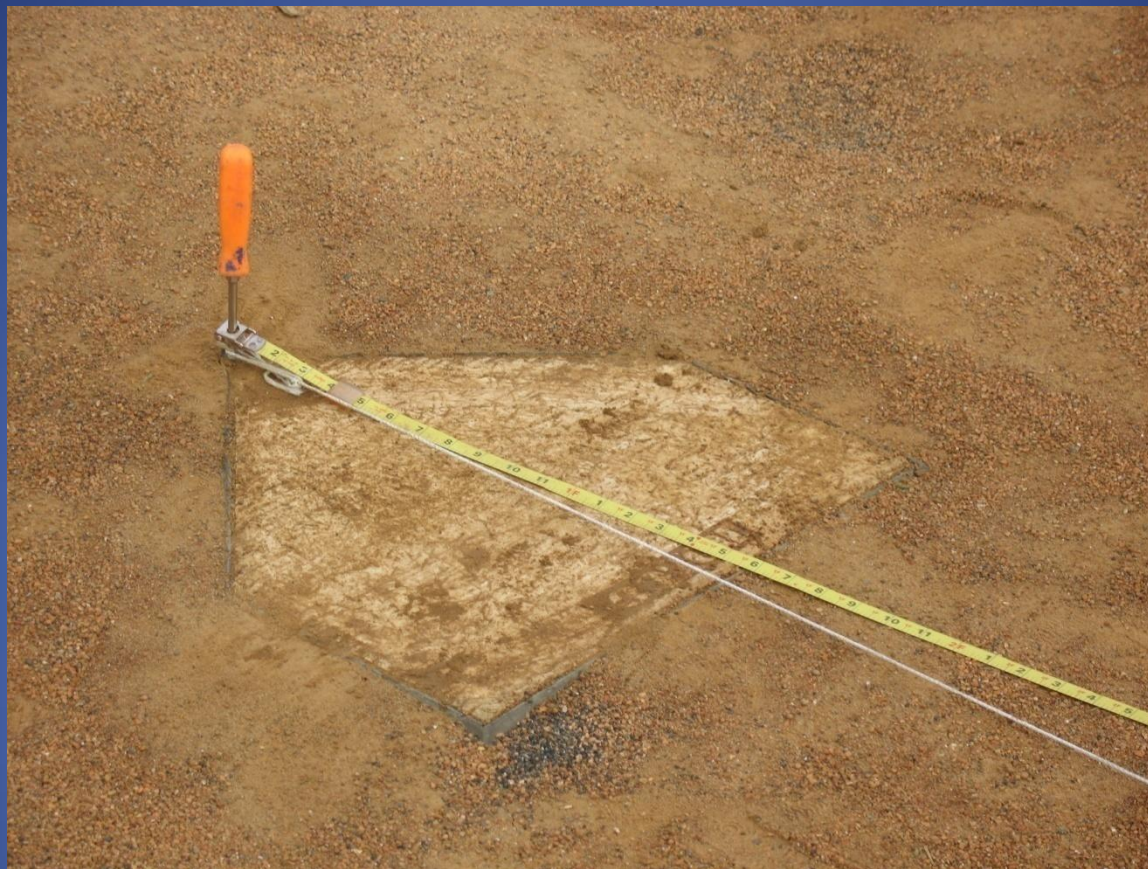
Fill and Pack holes and Low Spots





Wet and Repack





String from Homeplate Apex to Middle of 2nd





Mark Area for Pitching Plate to be Installed

Make a little larger to allow for Adjustment and addition of Bricks if needed





Mark Middle of Pitching Plate, 12"





Use Square to Draw a Perpendicular Line





Marked Area to be Dug



Dig Out Hole





Place in Dugout Hole





Pack with Handle





Adjust into Holes





Level and Align





Check Distance and Centerline





Recheck as Needed





Recheck Levelness





Add Mound Bricks if Desired or Clay





Two Rows for Better Wear





Place Dry Towel before Tamping

Be sure that front edge of Rubber is Visible





Firm Tamping on Towel





Recheck Height and Bricks





Add Mound Clay





Spread smooth





Place Towel





Tamp as Needed





Add Additional Clay and Tamp as Needed





Rake Smooth





Smooth and Fill in Low Spots, Wet Down





Add Infield Conditioner





Spread Evenly





Broom or Rake Smooth



If Mound Bricks or Mound Clay are Added, Keep Covered with a tarp, Rubber Mat or Other Material to keep the Rain Water from Soaking in and making the Mound Mucky. Also keep it covered during the Hot Sun to Keep from Cracking
Good Luck from the OSAA & AFD



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