

SECTION 2. The Field

Dimensions

ARTICLE 1. The field shall be a rectangular area with dimensions, lines, zones, goals and pylons as indicated and titled in the diagrams on pages FR-18-19.

- a. All field-dimension lines shown must be marked 4 inches in width with a white, nontoxic material that is not injurious to the eyes or skin (Exceptions: Sidelines and end lines may exceed 4 inches in width, goal lines may be 4 or 8 inches in width, and Rule 1-2-1-g).
- b. Twenty-four inch short yard-line extensions, four inches inside the sidelines and at the inbounds lines, are mandatory; and all yard lines shall be four inches from the sidelines (Rule 2-11-4).
- c. A solid white area between the sideline and the coaching line is mandatory.
- d. White field markings or contrasting decorative markings (e.g., logos, team names, emblems, event, etc.) are permissible in the end zones but shall not be closer than four feet to any line.
- e. Contrasting coloring in the end zones may abut any line.
- f. Contrasting decorative markings are permissible within the sidelines and between the goal lines but shall not obliterate yard lines, goal lines or sidelines.
- g. Goal lines may be of one contrasting color from the white lines.
- h. Advertising is prohibited on the field [Exceptions: (1) Permitted for any game not played in-season when the sponsor is associated with the name of that game, (2) NCAA Football logo, and (3) If a commercial entity has purchased naming rights to the facility, that name is allowed to be painted on the field; however, the commercial logo is not allowed to be in the field of play].
- i. White field yard-line numbers no larger than 6 feet in height and 4 feet in width, with the tops of the numbers nine yards from the sidelines, are recommended.
- j. White directional arrows next to the field numbers (except the 50) indicating the direction toward the nearest goal line are recommended.