

FIELD LINING INSTRUCTIONS

Field Lining is needed every week to get the fields ready for the weekend's games. Field lining is always scheduled for Friday afternoon so the paint is fresh and clear for Saturday. If it's raining heavily on Friday afternoon, the Saturday games may have to be cancelled. However, the fields will still need to be relined. If we skip a week on the re-lining, the paint is so faint that it's really hard to line again and we sometimes have to start over (which is lots more work). If you can't line Friday due to rain, just do it as soon as you can over the weekend or on Thursday evening (although on Thursday after school you'll need to work with and around the teams practicing).

The field marking equipment and paint is in an AVYSL equipment bin located next to the fence at the field.

The combination to the equipment bin's lock is **X-X-X-X** (get from your coach). These locks are sometimes very difficult to open as the numbers need to be perfectly aligned in the center. Then you compress the lock closed (for the orange equipment bins like at TJ Martin, push up on the bottom of the lock) and it will pop open. You also need to make sure the numbers are changed before you engage the lock when you close it. Be sure you test the lock after closing it by tugging on the bottom to try to open it, to ensure no one can get in the equipment bin without the combination.

To line the field, run the striper along the earlier lines to repaint them as follows:

1. The aerosol liner consists of base unit on wheels and a detachable handle. Assemble the aerosol liner by inserting the detachable handle into the wheeled base unit as shown in the photo. Tighten the thumbscrew that holds the handle on the machine. For a wider line, raise the handle before tightening the screw.



2. Place a box of aerosol paint in the holding tray on the base unit (for easy access to the paint while lining the field).
3. Take one can of white aerosol paint and shake the can for one minute after the ball begins to rattle before use.
4. Remove the aerosol paint can top and place the can upside down with the spray nozzle pointing down in the can holder of the detachable handle. Align the aerosol paint can so that spray spreads out horizontally. The opening slot should be perpendicular to your direction of travel.
5. Center the aerosol liner over an existing field line, squeeze handle and walk slowly at an even pace, following the existing field lines, spraying a good solid line. To assure a straight line, do not look down; look ahead to the end of the line you are spraying.
6. When an aerosol can is empty, remove the can from the aerosol liner, replace the can lid and place the aerosol can upside down back into the box.
7. Insert a new can of aerosol paint, and follow step number four (4) above.
8. Continue until the entire field has been lined. Repeat and line the entire field a second time.
9. When finished, return the remaining cans of paint into the field box. Disassemble the field liner and return to the field box. Make sure the thumb screw remains in the handle. Take the empty cans and dispose of them in your home recycling bin.
10. Lock the field box and double check this!