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## General Rules - where to position the circle

Where to position the playing circle;

- 1st end at the start of the game the circle must be placed at 2 metres from all others circles in use.
- From the second end onwards the correct position for the circle is to draw (or if prefabricated) places it around the jack where it finished in previous end.
- The team about to throw the jack may move the circle back in line with the previous line of play but only up to 10metres + 1 metre from the Dead Boule Line and no further.
- If the throw is invalid the opposing team must place the jack by hand immediately at a valid distance, before placing the jack on the piste the team can move the circle back as per above paragraph.
- The team about to throw the jack may fill one hole and another before the first boule.
- The circle may be placed up to the Dead Boule Line providing there is a minimum distance of 1metre from an obstacle (fence, pole, seat that would obstruct the throw of a boule or jack) a timber or such like to stop boules at the end of the piste is not classified as an obstacle.
- The location/position of the prefabricated circles must be marked in the case of accidental movement, for the repositioning of the circle.
- Prior to the agreement of points the circle should not be erased or if prefabricate removed until all have agreed.
- In any case it is the choice of the team about to throw the jack to erase or pick up the previous circle the opponents are not permitted to do this.
- Any unused drawn circles located near the one about to be used must be erased by the team that throws the jack. (To avoid using the wrong circle).
- Once the jack has been thrown it is not permitted for any player to erase the circle from the previous end.
- Where should the unplayed boules be placed; It is preferred for the players to carry their unplayed boules in hand. However, the players may leave them near the circle whilst playing but they must pick them up before their opponents enter the circle.
- Players not sure of any rule or interpretation of a rule should consult the Umpire of the day.
- The PFA adopted rules of the sport of pétanque prevail over all other versions.