

Tarmac Stencil Games Booklet

Hopscotch with Home



This is an excellent beginner game for young children as it allows them to learn how to jump on one foot, gain their balance and recognize the order of elementary numbers. There are a variety of different designs that can be used for hopscotch, as well as, some variation of rules making this basic school yard game challenging for, and inclusive of, children of various ages. Hopscotch is a game about throwing, moving and not falling over!

General Information

An unlimited number of children may play the game. Using a pebble or a small object as a marker, the first player will throw it into square 1. They must then jump over this square and proceed through the numbers until they reach the end where they turn around and hop back through the course. Remember when there are two numbers side by side, you can put both feet down at the same time.

After completing the course with the marker in position 1, throw it into square 2 and proceed just as before; this time jump over square 2 as this is where the marker is. The player will continue in this manner until they reach the end, or until they either miss the appropriate square with the marker or their foot touches a line. If either of these things happens, the player loses their turn and the next player has a go. The first player to successfully hop all the way through the course is the winner!

This game can be modified to include individuals with different skills or mobility levels. Consider variations where participants are allowed two hops in one square, stepping on lines, and walking/rolling to the marker. You can also make this a throwing only game.

Width: **3' 3"** Length: **13' 11"**

Recommended Paint Colours: **white**

Cans Paint Needed: **1**

Pieces: **4**

Footprints



General Information

This unique stencil is a terrific addition or extra touch to the playground games once all the game stencils are painted and visible on your playground surface.

Footprints create a fun transition between games as once one game is complete simply follow the "footprints" to the next exciting playground game.

Width: **1' 2"** Length: **2' 3"**

Recommended Paint Colour: **white**

Cans Paint Needed: **1**

Pieces: **1**

Four Square



General Information

A basic layout of a simple large square divided into four smaller squares provides for a game that is endless in variation depending on the skills of the participants playing the game.

Indicated by the name of the game, this game involves four players, one for each square. The purpose of this game is to displace the player who plays from square 1 or the “King” position. This player who plays from square 1 is the one who begins the game by serving the ball from the back corner of their own square. This player has the choice of serving the ball into any of the other 3 squares, choosing to allow it to bounce or not to bounce in any square before the opposing participant hits the ball into another of participants’ squares.

The nature of the game allows for many people to be able to play the game within a short period of time due to “misses” that may occur. “Misses” can occur when a player does not successfully hit the ball into one of their opponents’ squares, if they hit the ball out bounds, meaning out of the large square itself, or if they cause the ball to land on a line except on a serve. The person, who is responsible for the “miss”, must exit the game and retreat back to the challenge line, thus allowing a player whom is waiting, into the game.

When this occurs, the players rotate around the square, leaving the newest player in square 4 and the person who was in square 2, is now playing from square 1, the “King” position and has become the opponent to eliminate.

This game can be modified to include individuals who with different skills or mobility levels. Consider variations where participants are allowed double bounces, players have a fixed position, or the ball is over-inflated/misshaped.

<http://fastline.net/playground/stencil/4-square-big>

Width: **14'** Length: **14'**

Recommended Paint Colours: **white**

Cans Paint Needed: **2**

Pieces: 17

Bulls Eye Toss



General Information

Two or more players can play this game. Each player will take turns positioned behind one of the lines and tossing their markers onto the bull's eye area.

The lines are numbered 1-5, each line being more difficult than the previous. Each player can throw from the same line or depending on their skill level, each child can be placed on a line that will give everyone an equal chance of winning. Each child will throw two or three markers and add up their score to see who can obtain the highest score.

Highest score wins.

Width: **7' 4"** Length: **15' 4"**

Recommended Paint Colours: **blue, red**

Cans Paint Needed: **2**

Pieces: **6**

Giant Dartboard



General Information

Can be used to play any number of games that are played on a standard dartboard.

Width: **14'**

Length: **14'**

Recommended Paint Colours: **white**

Cans Paint Needed: **4**

Pieces: **11**

Alphabet Tree of Knowledge



General Information

This is a playground game that can be used to assist children in using their alphabet. The most common way of playing this game is to jump from A to B, B to C, C to D, and so on without touching any of the lines until reaching the end of the alphabet. It can also be used to played where the game is to spell names, places or things and by jumping to each letter.

These games can be modified to include individuals who with different skills or mobility levels. Consider variations where participants are allowed to walk/roll to the letters and to touch the lines. You can also make this a throwing only game where the player throws a marker to a letter and says and/or spells a word that starts with that letter.

Width: **7' 4"** Length: **10' 10"**

Recommended Paint Colours: **green, brown, red**

Cans Paint Needed: **3**

Pieces: **6**