

SOCCKER GOALPOST - FOUR SAFETY STEPS

What is a moveable Goalpost?

It is a soccer goalpost designed to be a temporary structure which can be transported (whether in one piece or after disassembly) both on and off the soccer field.

Check it

Never use goalposts that are homemade. Check that all goalposts are in good condition and properly constructed. Refer to the Australian Standard handbook [HB227-2003](#).

Check there are no children around the goalposts, then shake it by using both hands and pushing the upright from behind. If the goalposts fall, do not use them or let anyone else use them until they have been secured.

Secure it

For safety reasons, moveable soccer goalposts of any size must be anchored securely into the ground. As a general rule, it takes about 200 kilograms to properly anchor a full size portable soccer goalpost; this equates to 10 stakes or 12 bags of cement mix per goalpost.

Consider

- fitting a number of sleeves into the ground along the goal lines of the field.
- having each upright of the moveable soccer goalpost extended by about 300mm
- fitting the upright into a sleeve to make sure they will not topple over

Again, officials should read and take notice of Australian Standard handbook [HB227-2003](#) for more comprehensive information. After use, always remove soccer goalposts and store them in a secure area.

Test it

Before use, adults (preferably club officials) should test all moveable soccer goalposts to make sure they're stable.

Again, check there are no children around the goalpost, then shake it by using both hands and pushing the upright from behind.

If you are unsure of the safety of your movable soccer goalpost, don't use them or let anyone else use them until you have them tested professionally.

Respect it

Under no circumstances should people be allowed to climb, swing or play on a moveable goalpost. This can be extremely dangerous. If you see anyone doing this, report them to your club officials immediately.