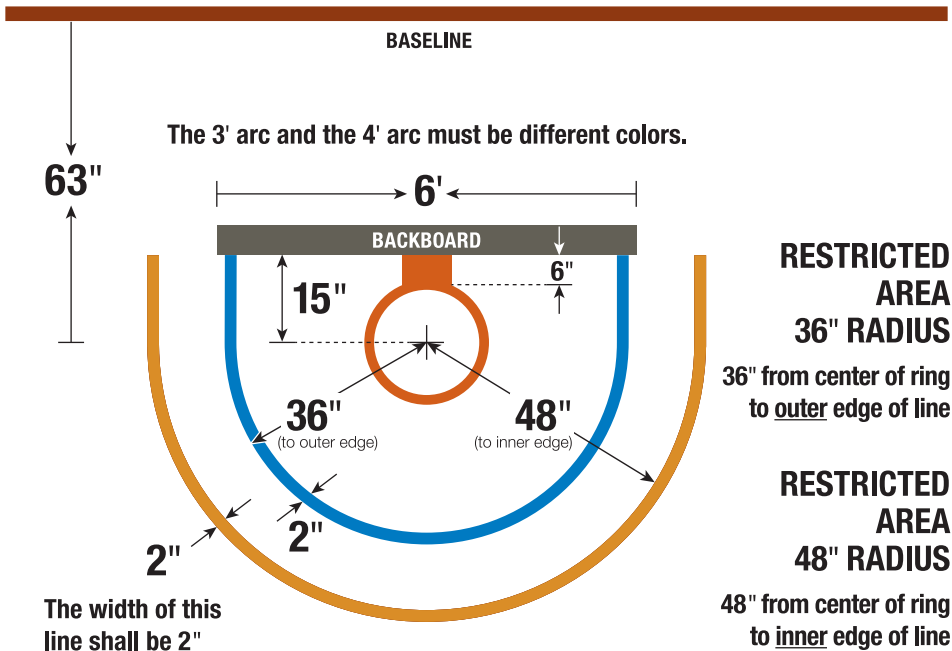


NCAA Basketball

Restricted Area Arc: 3' for women and 4' for men

NOTE: Division I men's institutions are required to have a 4' arc for the 2015-16 season; Divisions II and III men's institutions are required to have a 4' arc starting with the 2016-17 season. All three women's divisions will continue to use the existing 3' arc.



INSTRUCTIONS

1. To place the arc on the floor, mark a spot on the floor directly under the center of the basket.
2. Using a measuring device, create a semicircle that extends four feet for the men and three feet for the women from the center of the basket.
(Note: No. 4 below provides detail for measuring these distances.)
3. Measure several points from the center of the basket, including two points along a plane parallel to the backboard.
4. The restricted area arc shall be drawn as a two-inch line with the:
 - a. **inner** edge of the line measuring **four feet** from the center of the basket for **men**
 - b. **outer** edge of the line measuring **three feet** from the center of the basket for **women**
5. At the diameter points of the semicircle (the plane parallel to the backboard), the line straightens, similar to the three-point line.
6. The arc's straight lines shall end at the front edge of the backboard.
7. The lines must be clear and discernible from the surrounding area. The three-foot and four-foot lines also must be different colors.