

Fenton polo tournament instructions:

1. Unloading and getting into the pool

At the front of Fenton Manor is a large pay and display car park (apparently this is checked throughout the evening).

To drop boats off, do not unload in the car park. Instead, drive round the back of the complex (to the left as you look at it from the carpark around two large sports halls) and stop when you get to a building site entrance gate. Unload here and then walk boats past the rear pedestrian entrance to the sports centre and keep walking round the building until you get to a crazy golf course. There is an entrance into the pool here. After unloading, all cars must be parked on the main carpark. This sounds more complicated than it actually is!

The pool are concerned about potential ingress of algae into the pool. Therefore all boats must be washed beforehand. I do not believe there is any facility to do this on site.

2. Setting up the goals

- You will need to get a ladder from one of the lifeguards to get the goals down from where they are stored on the diving board. You do not need any more ladders after this point.
- The shallow and deep end goals are labelled on the frame.
- Un-hank the attached ropes. Do not need to unclip any of the carabineers.
- From the pool level (window side) identify the two attachment ropes that are hanging down. For the deep end the rope is tucked onto the diving board, a tall person will be able to reach it. The rope for the shallow end is attached to a pillar by the windows.
- Clip to these fixed attachment ropes the carabineers that are tied to the rope from the top of the goal.
- Pull the goal across the pool with the two ropes attached to the bottom of the goal.
- Throw the rope from the top corner of the goal up to someone on the balcony (accessed through the changing area).
- The rope needs to be threaded through the attachment point of the second to top row of seats. Then thread the rope through the loop in the rope to form a pulley. Tie back to the seat attachment once the goal is the correct height.
- Back on the pool side, make sure that the goal is in the middle of the pool and then loosely tie the ropes from the bottom corner of the goal back to the steps (shallow end), or pool cover support (deep end)

3. Setting up the shallow end protective netting

- Untie the net located in the shallow end window side corner. Do not untie the actual support rope
- Make sure that the support rope is not resting on a series of hooks that are placed at the top of the windows.
- Pull across the net to the balcony side. You should support the net as you do this to stop the attachment points pulling out. Watch out for the clock in the middle, otherwise you will knock it off.

- You will see that the net now sags so that it is not covering the top of the windows.
- Get the pole from the side of the pool and lift the support rope so that it is resting on a series of 5 hooks that are placed at the top of the windows
- Pull the lane ropes forward so the net is draped over them and not directly touching the windows.

4. Packing up the goals

- Untie the goals from the balcony side
- Unclip the carabineers from the two hanging attachment points
- Do not unclip or untie the ropes from the goal.
- Hank the ropes and replace on the diving board

5. Packing up the shallow end protective netting

- Use the pole to unhook the support line from the five high level hooks
- Slide the net back towards the window side (supporting the weight of the net)
- Tie the net when it is in the corner using the attached rope. You may need to use the pole to slide the net so that it is sitting in the corner.