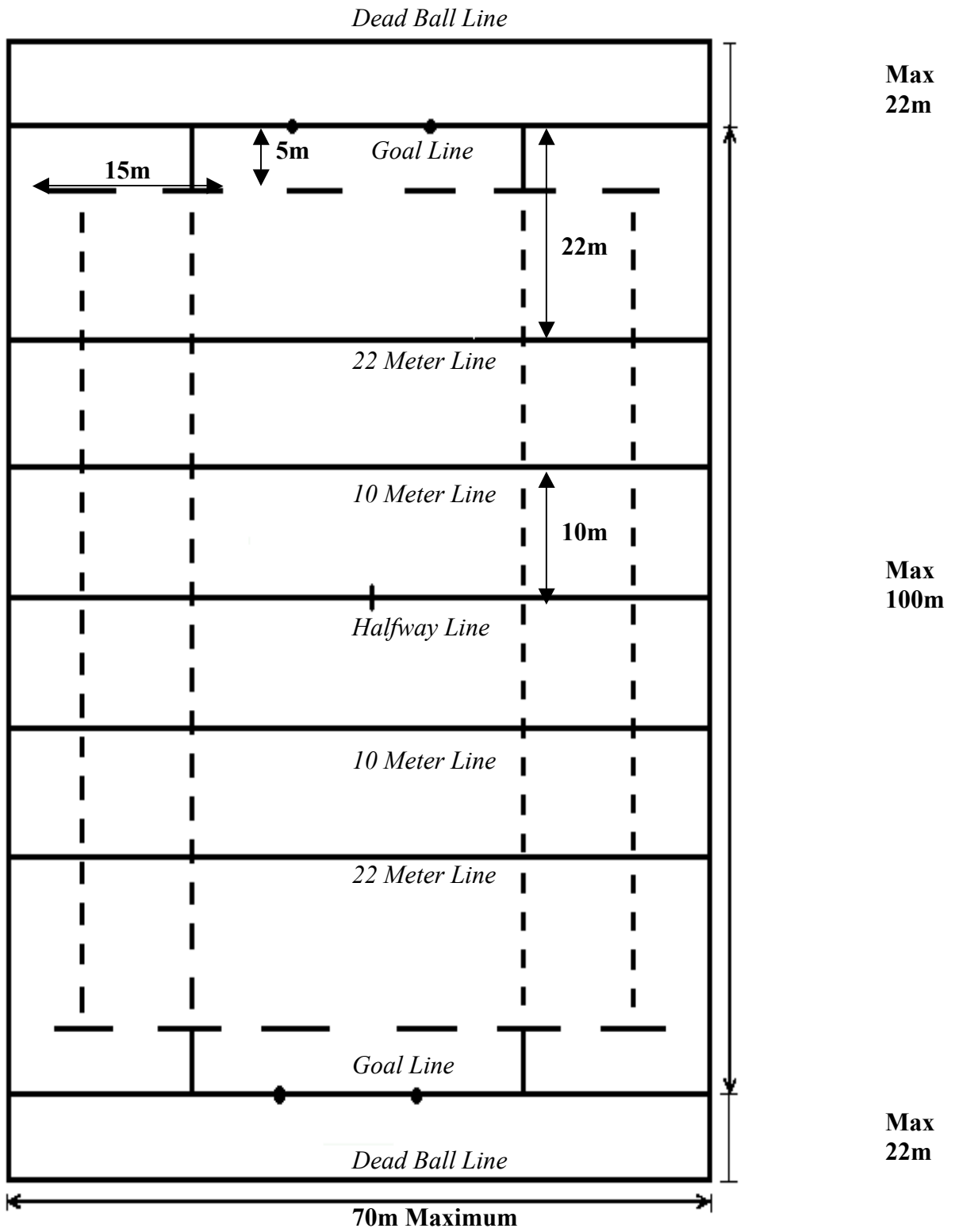




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**Pitch Dimensions:** - The field of play does not exceed 100m in length and 70m in width.

**Dead Ball Line:** - The dead ball line must not exceed 22m and not less than 10m in length and 70m in width.

**Solid Lines:** - The dead ball lines and touch-in-goal lines, both of which are outside the in-goal areas; The goal lines, which are within the in-goal areas but outside the field of play; The 22m lines; which are parallel to the goal lines The half-way line which is parallel to the goal lines; and The touchlines which are outside the field of play.

**Broken Lines:** - The 10m lines, which run from one touchline to the other, are 10m from each side of the half-way line and parallel to it; and The 5m lines, which run from one 5m dash line to the other, are 5m from and parallel to the touchlines. The 15m lines, which link the 5m dash lines, are 15m from and parallel to the touchlines.

**Dash Lines:** - Six dash lines, each being 1m long, 5m from and parallel to each goal line positioned 5m and 15m from each touchline and in front of each goal post. Two dash lines, 5m long, 15m from each of the touchlines, which start at the goal line and end at the 5m dash line. One dash line of 0.5m long intersects the centre of the half-way line. All the lines must be suitably marked out according to the Plan.

**Goal Posts:** - The goal posts are 5.6m apart and the crossbar is placed between the two goal posts so that its top edge is 3.0m from the ground. The minimum height of the goal posts is 3.4m. Padding edge must not exceed 300mm from the goal line.

**Flag Posts:** - There are 14 flag posts with flags, each with a minimum height of 1.2m above the ground. Flag posts must be positioned at the intersection of touch-in-goal lines and the goal lines and at the intersection of the touch-in-goal lines and the dead ball lines. These eight flag posts are outside the in-goal area and do not form part of the playing area. Flag posts must be positioned in line with the 22-metre lines and the half-way line, 2 metres outside the touchlines and within the playing enclosure.

**Lines:** - All lines are not more than 5cm (2in) wide and lines are normally white.