



The Retractable Golf Practice Net Instruction Manual



IMPORTANT

Please read this instruction manual thoroughly before installing, assembling or using your Huxley Rotanet for the first time and also after extended periods of storage and non-use.

An owner/user check list is provided on the back cover of this manual. Please ensure that it is read and fully understood by all persons installing, assembling or using the Rotanet. If there is uncertainty over any point given in this manual, please contact Huxley Golf or your Rotanet supplier for advice and guidance before proceeding. You will find the necessary contact details on the back cover.

Thank you for purchasing this Huxley Golf product. Using your Rotanet for regular practice can only help bring greater enjoyment and success on the golf course.

Instructions for Installation, Assembly and Use

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SAFETY NOTICES & POINTS OF INFORMATION

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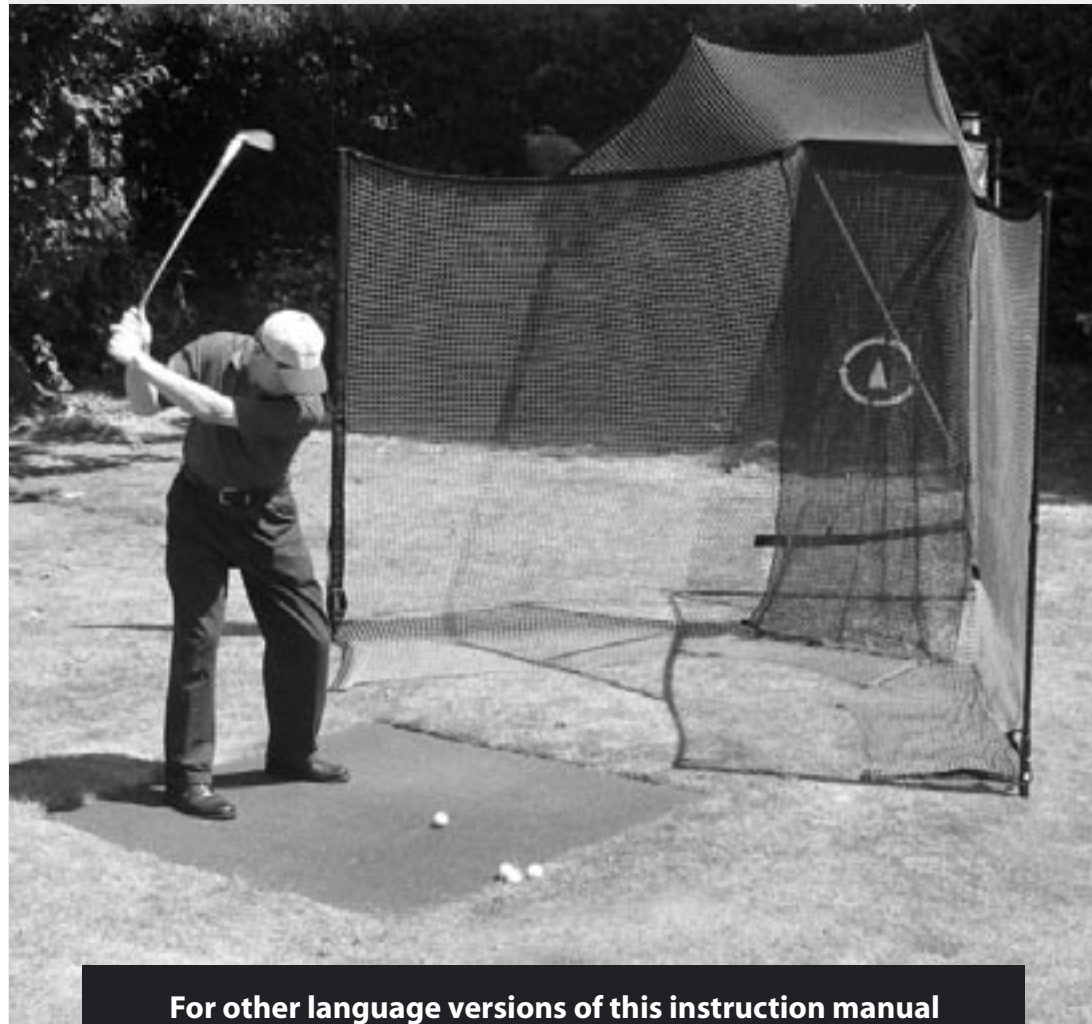
Indicates a specific hazard or unsafe practice which could result in injury if proper care and precautions are not observed.

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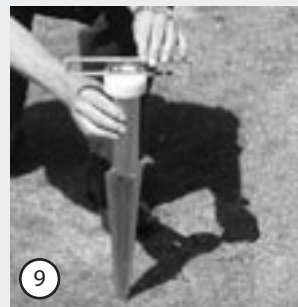
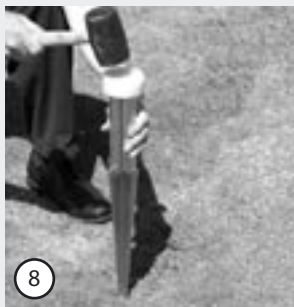
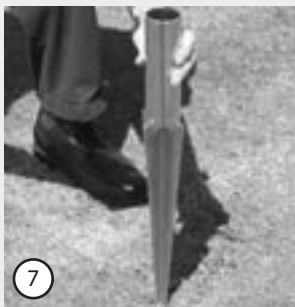
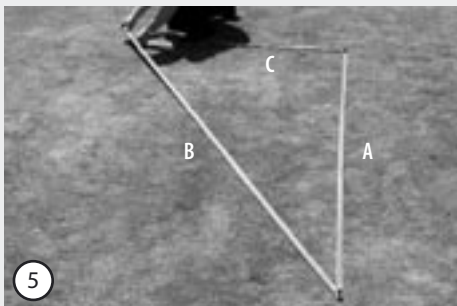
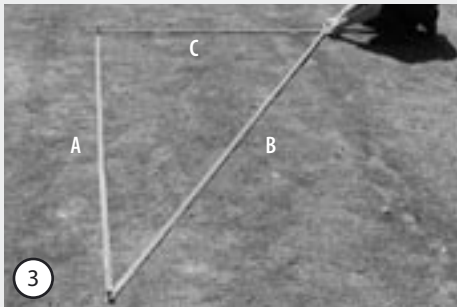
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Indicates information provided to help prevent possible damage or deterioration to your Huxley Rotanet and its installation.



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ROTANET INSTALLATION ON GRASS

The following instructions apply to the installation of a Rotanet on a grass surface using the three tapered ground sockets supplied as standard within the kit.



Before starting, ensure that there are no underground services such as cables or pipes at or close to the position where the Rotanet is to be installed. You will need an unrestricted soil depth of up to 20in (51cm) to allow full insertion of the three ground sockets.

1. Select a firm, level area for the Rotanet installation and decide where the main rear pole is to be positioned. This is the point where the main (largest) ground socket will be hammered into the ground.
2. Mark the selected position for the main ground socket by pushing a plastic peg into the ground having inserted it first through the holes at one end of tape A and tape B supplied with the installation kit (Fig 1).
3. Stretch out tape A along the proposed centre-line (ball strike line) of the installed Rotanet and push a second plastic peg into the ground having inserted it first through the holes in the free-end of tape A and one end of tape C (Fig 2).
4. Insert a plastic peg through the holes in the free ends of tape B and tape C. Pull both tapes taut to form a triangle to the left of tape A (Fig 3) and insert the peg into the ground at the left-hand corner (Fig 4). You have now marked the position for the left-hand ground socket.
5. Releasing tape B and tape C from the left-hand peg, move the two tapes to the right of tape A and pull them taut to form a triangle (Fig 5). Ensure that the tapes are not twisted. Insert a peg through the holes at the ends of the two tapes and then into the ground (Fig 6). You have now marked the position for the right-hand ground socket.
6. Remove the tapes and pegs from the area having checked that the peg marks showing the insertion points for the Rotanet's three ground sockets are clearly visible in the turf.
7. Position the tapered end of the main (largest) ground socket on the insertion point marked in the turf and ensure that the vertical line on the ground socket faces along the centre-line of the Rotanet where tape A was laid on the turf (Fig 7).



Wear eye protection when hammering the sockets into the ground.

8. Protecting the top of the socket with the plastic insert supplied (Fig 8), hammer the main ground socket into the turf until its top is at soil level. **Use a spirit level to check that the socket is constantly vertical during installation (Fig 9).**

NOTE

To avoid damage to mowing equipment and cutter blades, ensure that the top of the installed sockets is below the minimum height at which the grass will be cut.

9. Repeat the process described in (8) above with the two smaller outer ground sockets, inserting them into the ground at the exact positions that have been marked by the pegs in (4) and (5) above.

IMPORTANT

If the ground is soft or sandy, it may be necessary to use concrete to secure the ground sockets in a vertical position. Alternatively, consider using the optional portable indoor/outdoor frame to support the Rotanet. The frame is suitable for use on level surfaces indoors and outside.

PREPARING ROTANET FOR USE

1. Unzip and remove the Rotanet's weatherproof cover (if fitted) and then insert the main tube into the main ground socket (Fig 10) ensuring that the locking pin is facing along the proposed centre line of the Rotanet (Fig 11).
2. Remove the central transit strap (Fig 12) and store in a safe place. Release the two ties securing the net (Fig 13).
3. Holding the two outer tubes in one hand, release pressure from the transit screw securing the locking pin at the foot of the main tube (Fig 14). Do not remove the transit screw.
4. Slide the locking pin up the main tube (Fig 15).
5. Holding both outer tubes in a vertical position, walk away from the main tube in the direction of the right-hand outer socket, unwinding the net as you go (Fig 16).

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6. Locate the right-hand outer tube into its ground socket (Fig 17) and then walk across to the left-hand side (Fig 18) and insert the left-hand outer tube into its socket (Fig 19).
7. Unclip the valance from the inside of the main net (Fig 20) and lay on the ground within the Rotanet. Secure the elastic ties around the foot of the two outer tubes making sure the loop end of the tie is passed through the net to prevent stressing the stitching, as shown (Figs 21, 22 and 23).
8. Moving to the rear of the Rotanet, rotate the main tube anti-clockwise until the locking pin faces along the centre-line of the Rotanet. Slide the locking pin fully downwards (Fig 24) and tighten the transit screw (finger tight).

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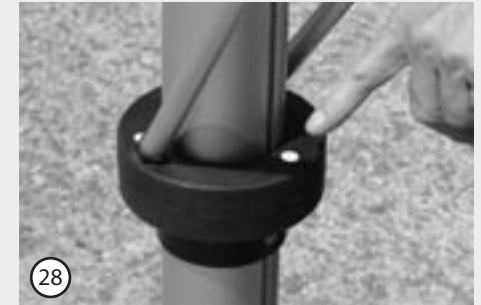
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9. Remove the two rear struts from their pockets in the webbing (Fig 25) and insert them into the slots in the main tube collar, (Fig 26 and Fig 27) matching the coloured spots on the struts with the identical colours on the collar. The green spot on the collar should be facing forwards along the centre line (Fig 28).
10. Unclip the cross-brace from the right-hand strut, when viewed from the rear of the net (Fig 29).
11. Holding the right-hand strut in one hand, push its handle to the top (Fig 30).
12. Holding the left-hand strut in one hand (Fig 31) push the handle half way up the strut and then clip the free end of the cross-brace into the socket on the left-hand handle and push the handle firmly to the top of the strut (Fig 32).

NOTE

Any final tensioning adjustments can be made at the top of the two outer poles or on the adjusters on the harness at the lower rear of the net. Avoid over-tightening.





RETRACTING ROTANET AFTER USE

The following instructions are essentially a reversal of the steps described in the previous section. Make particularly sure that you follow the guidance given in points (3) and (8) below.

1. Release the elastic ties from the foot of the two outer tubes (Fig 33) then pick up the net valance and clip it to the inside of the main net approximately 48in - 50in (122 - 127cm) above ground level (Fig 34).
2. Move to the rear of the Rotanet and slide the left-hand strut handle downwards (Fig 35) followed by the right-hand strut handle. Remove the cross-brace from its locating socket in the left-hand strut handle and clip to the right-hand strut above the handle (Fig 36).
3. Carefully remove the two struts from the slots in the main tube collar. Locate the left-hand strut vertically into the left-hand webbing pocket (Fig 37) and the right-hand strut vertically into the right-hand webbing pocket (Fig 38).

IMPORTANT Failure to locate the two struts vertically into their respective webbing pockets before retracting the net may result in damage to the struts. Such damage will not be covered by warranty.

4. Release tension from the locking pin's transit screw at the foot of the main tube and slide the locking pin up the tube (Fig 39).
5. Lift the right-hand outer tube out of its ground socket. Holding the right-hand tube vertically, walk across to the left-hand outer tube and remove it from its socket.
6. Holding both tubes just above the ground in an upright position, walk slowly towards the main tube (Fig 40) allowing the net to re-wind around the main tube until it stops.

NOTE When re-winding, ensure that the reinforcing tapes on the top of the net do not rise above the top of the main tube.

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7. When the net is fully rewound, bring the locking pin to the front of the main tube by rotating the main tube anti-clockwise. The locking pin should face the centre line of the Rotanet.
8. Slide the locking pin down the tube until it locates fully into its securing hole in the base unit (Fig 41). Hand-tighten the transit screw.
9. Secure the net with its ties and slip the cover over the net to protect it from the weather when not in use (Fig 42).





REMOVING ROTANET FROM ITS POSITION

1. Before removing the Rotanet completely from its position, first retract the net as described in the previous section, ensuring that the locking pin is fully down and the transit screw is finger-tight.
2. Re-fit and tighten the central transit strap around the retracted net (Fig 43).
3. Lift the complete Rotanet from its location point in the main ground socket (Fig 44) and store in a dry, secure location.



If the Rotanet is to be stored upright, ensure that it cannot topple over if disturbed or knocked inadvertently. The falling weight of the Rotanet could cause damage to property and injury to people or animals in the vicinity.

INSTALLING THE OPTIONAL SCREW-DOWN BASES

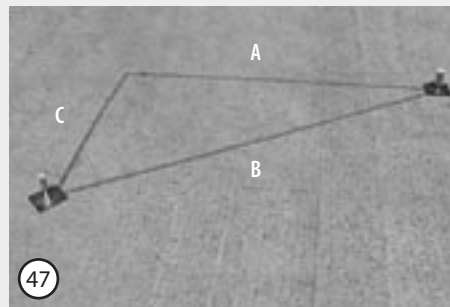
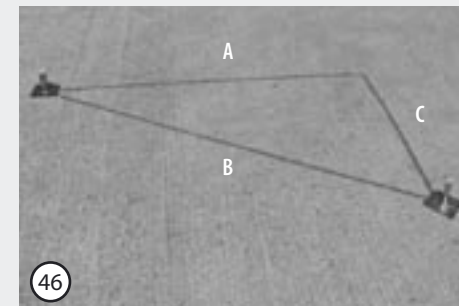
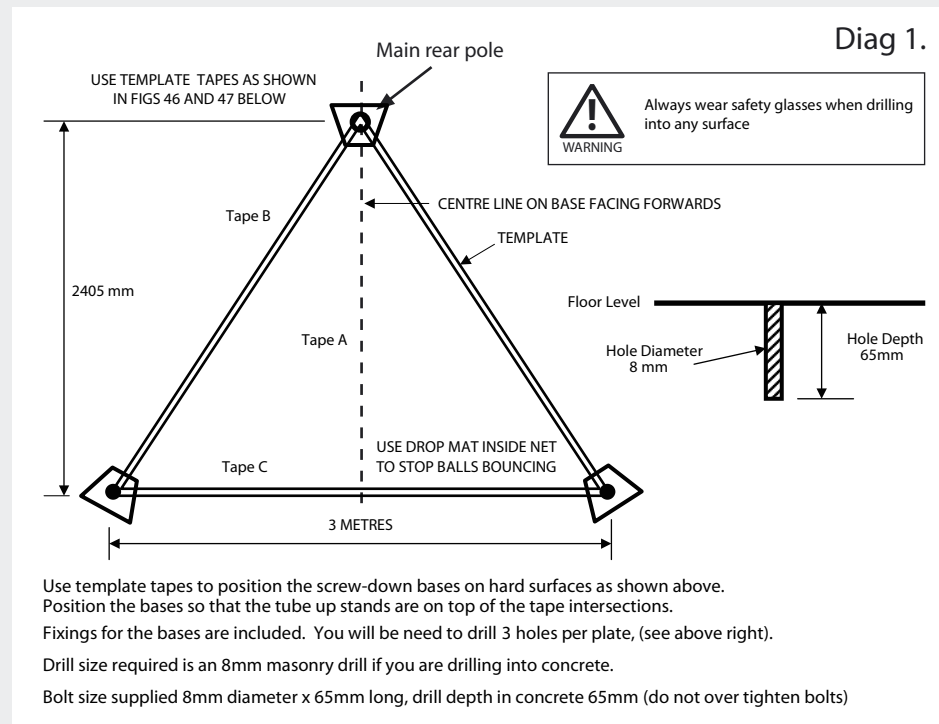
The optional screw-down bases provide permanent and secure fixings for the Rotanet installation on a level and solid surface, indoors or outside.

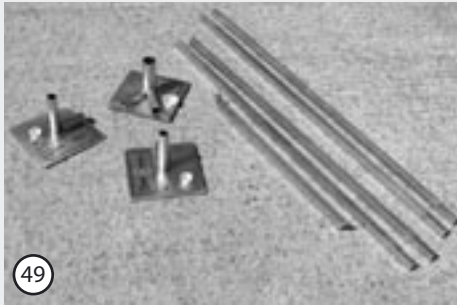
As with the ground sockets, the position of the three screw-down base plates (Fig 45) is determined using the special template tapes supplied with the Rotanet kit. For ease of installation, it is recommended that you obtain the assistance of at least one other person to help with the marking-out operation.

1. Determine where the Rotanet's main rear pole is to be positioned and make a clear mark on the surface at this point. This is where the post socket on the main (largest) screw-down base will be positioned.
2. Position the hole in one end of Tape A on top of the mark made in (1) above and stretch out the tape across the surface along the imaginary centre-line of the Rotanet.
3. Make a mark on the surface through the hole in the free-end of Tape A (this mark should be approximately 94.7in (2,405mm) from the mark made in (1) above).
4. Position the hole in one end of Tape B on top of the mark made in (1) above and the hole in one end of Tape C on top of the mark made in (3) above. Stretch out Tapes B and C to the left of Tape A to form a triangle (Fig 46).
5. Make a mark on the surface at the point where the free-ends of Tapes B and C meet. The mark should be made through the holes in the ends of the tapes.
6. Keeping the inner ends of Tapes B and C on top of the marks made in (1) and (3), swing the outer ends of the two tapes over to the right of the imaginary centre-line of the Rotanet, forming a triangle (Fig 47).
7. Make a mark on the surface through the holes at the ends of the two tapes at the point where they meet.
8. There should now be three marks on the surface indicating the position for the sockets on the three screw-down bases.
9. Before marking and drilling the holes for the fixings required to secure the screw-down bases, check with a tape measure that the distances on the surface match the measurements given in Diag 1.
10. If necessary, adjust the position of the surface marks to produce the required measurements. This will ensure the correct positioning of the sockets for safe and secure Rotanet installation.
11. Fixings are included with the screw-down bases and three holes will have to be drilled into the surface to secure each base. When drilling into concrete or similar surfaces, use an 8mm masonry drill to a depth of 65mm. Do not over-tighten the fixing bolts (Fig 48).



Wear safety eye protection when drilling into any surface.





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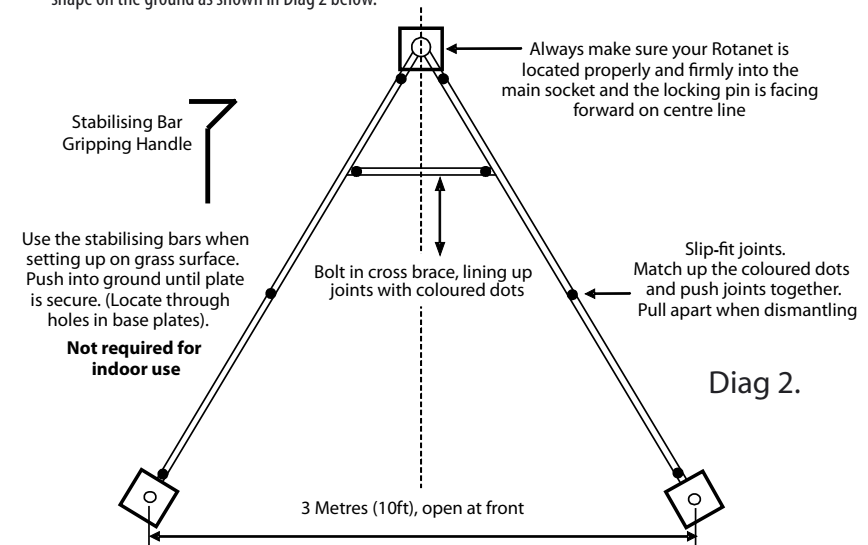
Huxley Rotanet Drop Mat

INSTALLING THE OPTIONAL INDOOR/OUTDOOR FRAME

The optional indoor/outdoor frame allows the Rotanet to be set up quickly and conveniently on any firm, level surface indoors or outside. Being free-standing, the frame is particularly suited to temporary installations or those where Rotanet needs to be moved easily from place to place.

The frame comes as a kit (Fig 49) that must be assembled and positioned before the Rotanet can be installed and made ready for use.

1. Place the frame components on the surface in the position where the Rotanet is to be installed.
2. The main base plate is the one with the largest tube socket and the two square side frame location sockets (Fig 50). This plate must be positioned at the point where the main (front) support tube of the Rotanet is to be installed.
3. Matching the colour-coded dots on the frame, slide the various components together (Fig 51) to form a triangular shape on the ground as shown in Diag 2 below.



4. Don't forget to insert and secure the cross brace between the two side frames close to the point of the triangle (Fig 52).
5. When setting-up the indoor/outdoor frame on grass, secure the three base plates firmly to the surface by inserting the supplied stabiliser bars into the ground through the holes in the plates (Fig 53).

IMPORTANT

When installing the Rotanet into the indoor/outdoor frame, ensure that the main (front) tube is inserted properly and fully into the main (front) base plate socket and that the locking pin is facing forwards along the centre line of the net (Fig 54).

When using Rotanet for the first time, unwind the net to the right-hand socket first. You may need to put your foot on the frame to prevent it sliding on smooth surfaces.

It is recommended that stabilising weight be placed on the three base plates when using the indoor/outdoor frame in windy conditions on a hard surface.

Use of the optional Huxley Rotanet Drop Mat (Fig 55) is recommended when using the Rotanet on a hard surface to prevent bouncing of the ball after it has been struck into the net.

TROUBLE-SHOOTING GUIDE

- **Do not unwind your Huxley Rotanet by hand or the unit will not rewind** (unless following re-tensioning procedure).
- **Do not install your Rotanet until you have read and understood the instructions.**
- **Do not lift the locking pin until the Rotanet is fully located into main ground socket.**

Loss of spring tension (net will not pull out or re-wind).

Your Huxley Rotanet has been fully tested at the factory and the spring has been pre-tensioned to allow the Rotanet to operate properly.

If your Huxley Rotanet fails to operate it could be due to:

- The unit has spun in its ground socket (make sure socket adaptor is fully located in ground socket).
- The net has been un-wound manually and re-wound incorrectly.
- The locking pin has been lifted while the net is under tension.
- Always make sure that the locking pin is located on the centre line (as per instructions) and pushed into position during and after use (see Diag 4).

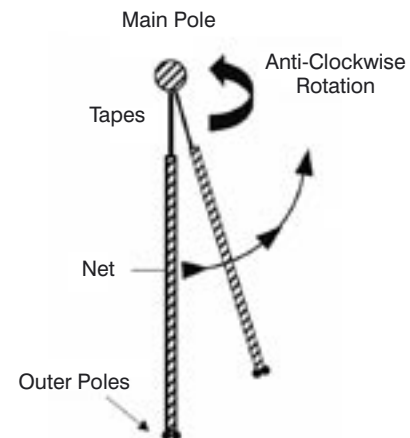
To re-tension the spring

- Make sure the Rotanet is fully located into the main ground socket.
- Check that there is no tension on the spring. This can be done by lifting the locking pin. If the unit does not turn clockwise automatically this indicates no tension on the spring.
- Re-locate locking pin (Diag 4) on centreline. Un-wind net manually until full extended, then wrap the net around the main pole anti-clockwise (as shown in Diag 3). Once the net is fully re-wound around the main pole, lift the locking pin (Diag 4) and pull the net away from the main pole. If the unit stops rotating, the spring safety system has locked. Give the net a gentle tug using the outer poles and this should release the device.
- Continue to pull out net as per instructions and then re-wind as per instructions. If the net does not fully re-wind itself around the main pole, wrap the remainder of the net manually around pole anti-clockwise (as Diag 3) and then pull it out again. The net now should fully re-wind itself under spring tension.

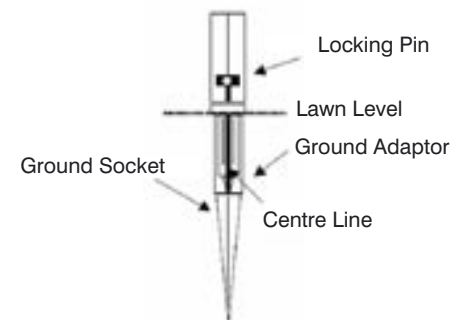
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Diag 3.



Diag 4.



NOTES

CHECK LIST FOR SAFE & PROPER ASSEMBLY, INSTALLATION AND USE

Do not position the Rotanet close to a naked flame, cooking stove, barbecue, or any lighting or heating fixture or appliance.

Never allow children or inexperienced golfers to use the Rotanet unsupervised.

Do not allow anyone to stand to the rear of the Rotanet when it is in use.

Keep animals, children and bystanders at a safe distance when using the Rotanet, out of range of a moving golf club and stray golf balls.

Always stand as close as possible to the Rotanet without striking the netting.

When hitting a golf shot, always aim for the centre of the impact net.

Use the Rotanet only for the purpose for which it was designed and engineered (a golf practice net). Improper use will render the Guarantee null and void.

IMPORTANT: Do not use any golf club in the Huxley Rotanet more lofted than a 7-iron.

Always retract the Rotanet after use and fit the weatherproof cover to protect your investment.

If the Rotanet has become wet, allow it to dry out before fitting the cover.

Check around the Rotanet regularly for security of fittings and general condition. Tighten, secure or replace as necessary before using the Rotanet.

Ensure that the impact net is in sound condition before use. A damaged or worn impact net can cause undue wear to the main net so replace a damaged or worn impact net immediately.

To minimise abrasive wear to the impact net, never use cut, split or worn golf balls in the Rotanet. The use of new balls is recommended at all times.

Always use a purpose-designed driving mat with the Rotanet. Such mats are available as an option from Huxley Golf who cannot be held responsible for wear, tear or damage caused to Rotanet, golf balls or golf clubs by improper use.

Huxley Golf accepts no liability or responsibility for the capabilities of the installer or the user of the Rotanet.

Always follow the instructions given in this manual. If in any doubt, contact your supplier or Huxley Golf before proceeding.

Guarantee

Huxley Golf has made every effort to ensure that your Huxley Rotanet golf practice net reaches you in perfect condition and provides you with a long, trouble-free life. Should any defect in workmanship or materials occur within 12 months (6 months for the impact net) of the date of initial purchase, Huxley Golf will repair or, at its option, replace the defective part(s) free of any charge for labour and/or materials. This guarantee is given subject to the following conditions: (1) The Rotanet has been used only for the purpose for which it has been designed (2) The Rotanet has been installed, assembled and used in accordance with the instructions given in this manual (3) The Rotanet has not been misused, neglected or subjected to any undue or unusual wear or tear.

This guarantee is provided to the original owner only and is not transferable.

This guarantee is given in addition to any statutory or other legal rights that may apply in your specific country, state, territory or region.

Huxley Golf can accept no responsibility for the capability of the purchaser or any user of the Rotanet to hit golf balls accurately and consistently into the Rotanet's impact net. Huxley Golf cannot be held responsible or liable for damage or injury caused to any person, animal or property during Rotanet use by miss-hit golf balls, flying turf divots or a moving golf club.

It is the responsibility of the purchaser and/or user(s) to check the Huxley Rotanet regularly for signs of wear or damage and to ensure that the Rotanet remains safe and suitable for use at all times in the place where it has been installed.

Huxley Golf's policy of continual improvement means that the design or specifications of the Huxley Rotanet may be altered without prior notice or obligation.



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