

GOALPOST SAFETY

The use of temporary or portable goalposts is prevalent in many football clubs across Northern NSW Football. Safety is a priority for the usage and storage of these goalposts. Installing goalposts correctly is a mandatory requirement of Australian standard AS4866.1-2007 and Product Safety Notices issued by FFA, ACCC, NSW Office of Fair Trading. Since 1986 7 DEATHS IN Australia and 40 worldwide have occurred as the result of falling goal posts.

The ACCC Product Safety Notice along with the Australian Standard AS4866.1-2007 state that all portable goalposts weighing in excess of 28kg must be securely anchored.

<https://www.productsafety.gov.au/news/anchor-check-respect-the-game-plan-for-moveable-soccer-goal-safety>

As a minimum one of the following methods should be used:

10 stakes (at least 300mm long)	 <p>10 X 300MM STAKES</p>
12 bags of sand	 <p>12 X BAGS OF SAND</p>
10 bags of cement mix	 <p>10 X BAGS OF CEMENT</p>

When NOT IN USE Goals must be secured to a fixed object or chained together to eliminate the risk of tipping over.

