

EASY FREEZE • ICE RINK FOR YOUR BACKYARD

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Site Selection:

It is very important to choose a spot that is level. Remember that when you fill the easy freeze rink, the water will flow and collect at the lowest point. Choosing a level area will allow the water to be uniformly distributed over the entire rink. Choose a site that can be reached by your garden hose as it will be required to fill the rink once the location has been prepared.

2. Site Preparation:

Clear away any debris, and if there is snow on the ground, push or shovel it to the sides of the rink area and form a bank or raised area around the perimeter in the shape of a rectangle (10' x 20' for model FI-7300 or 10' x 30' for model FI-7301).

3. Making Your Rink:

Start your rink on a day that is well below freezing and expected to stay cold. Spread the rink bag out in the prepared area with the location for the hose-inlet facing up (marked with the circular label). If it is a windy day, hold the corners of the rink bag down with snow or small rocks to prevent the bag from lifting up and blowing in the wind.

Remove any spray attachments from the end of the hose. Insert the end of the hose through the center of the circular label. It is necessary to push the hose a few inches into the rink bag. Fill the rink bag with 2-3 inches (5-8cm) of water. If the water does not distribute evenly, the prepared area is not level. Once your rink is filled with 2-3 inches of water (do not over-fill), allow the water to become frozen solid.

Note: If bubbles form during filling, it's usually best to leave them alone; however you can pierce the top layer above the bubble(s) to let the air escape. Once the ice is frozen and the top film removed, spray the area lightly.

It is important not to walk on the rink surface before it is frozen solid. Footprints will make the ice surface uneven.

When the water inside the rink bag is frozen solid, you can remove the top layer of plastic. This can be done by poking through the plastic in a corner and then by cutting or tearing the top layer away, proceeding around the outer edge or perimeter. With the top layer removed, inspect the ice surface and spray lightly with water to get a smoother skating surface. You can also use packed snow to fill in any cracks or openings (such as between the ice surface and the snow banks around the edge). Lightly spray over any repairs made with the packed snow.

Your rink is now ready for skating!

4. Rink Maintenance:

After each snowfall, clear away the snow to the perimeter of the rink. To maintain a smooth top surface, spray your rink occasionally with a light coating of water.

5. Making a Larger Rink:

Larger rinks can be created by purchasing more than one rink bag and installing them side by side. The joints between the rinks can be smoothed out with packed snow and a top coating of water. The joint repairs should be allowed to freeze solid before skating over the repaired seams.

Questions?

If you have any questions regarding the creating or maintaining of your easy freeze backyard rink, please call us toll free at: 1-888-279-4406.

ATTENTION

Proper protective equipment is required when using this product including an approved Skating or Hockey helmet (elbow, knee and wrist protection is also recommended). Due to the nature of the activity, there is the possibility of injury, both minor or severe. The backyard skating rink should be used ONLY with adult supervision.



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