

# UNITS OF MEASUREMENT

While we are all familiar with the British units of measurement - pounds, feet, acres, and have become more accustomed to the metric units - kilograms, meters, hectares, a new unit of measurement related to sport has become common. According to *Globe and Mail* columnist, Edward Clifford, **football field** is now an accepted unit. Examples in a recent issue of the *Globe* are: Barcelona's train station is the size of eight football fields, Kowloon market in Hong Kong has five football fields of food and a freighter grounded in Vancouver harbour was the size of two football fields.

How big is a football field? A Canadian field is 64350 square feet, or 1.47 acres, or 0.58 hectares. Your editor suggests the turf manager would be advised to continue learning metric to calculate his chemical applications and calibrate his equipment.

1% of a football field...  
2% of a football field...  
3% of a football field...  
What kind of a tape  
rule is this?



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*The eighth wonder of the world is the person who can remember the other seven.*  
-Doug Larson



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