

**DETERMINING THE ZERO POINT
FOR POLE VAULT STANDARDS**

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1. The front buns must be removed first.
2. The base of the standards shall be placed so that the zero point of the uprights is at the top of the back of the plant box.
3. Two people should extend a string/twine along the zero point so that the standards on each side begin at the zero point. The string/twine should intersect the plant box at the top of the back.
4. Place the cross bar at a low height so that a person standing on the landing pad can reach over it.
5. Hang a plumb-bob over the cross bar. It should touch the top of the back of the plant box.
6. This procedure should be followed for the practice as well as meets.
7. Place a permanent extended line 1 cm or ½ inch wide drawn through the top (zero point) extending up to 3 meters (10 ft) on each side of the box.