

Extending Existing Cricket Cages



“We want to extend our cricket practice cage and need to purchase additional components to match the existing frame. What advice can you offer?”

Most cricket cages will not have any makers name on them, and unless original paperwork is available knowing where to go for parts will be difficult. In addition to this, tube diameters vary depending on the supplier and if you want to add new bays on to your existing frame, the tube diameter and tube clamp fitting sizes need to be compatible.

The most common outside diameter tube dimensions used for conventional socketed cricket cages are 33.7mm, 38mm, and 42.4mm. Replacement uprights, top rails, ground sockets and tube clamps can be found in all of these standard sizes.



Standard uprights are made in sizes 2.74m (9'), 3.05m (10'), and 3.66m (12') out of ground when used with the ground sockets supplied. If replacement uprights are required for existing sockets the measurement of how deep the sockets are will be required to ensure the correct height out of ground.

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Standard top rails are to suit 3.66m (12') socket centres.

A range of tube clamps secured by Allen keys is produced to secure the top rails to the uprights in all the configurations necessary. Remember to allow new clamps if you are linking new bays onto an existing framework.

"Our cricket nets are too low, balls go on top of the roof net, can we extend it?"

The most satisfactory and economical way of making a cricket practice cage higher is to replace the uprights.

This will require the existing cage to be dismantled. If the cricket cage has been installed for some time, the existing uprights may be difficult to remove from the ground sockets. Cut back the turf from around the uprights and run some penetrating oil into the top of the sockets. Allow this to soak down for a few days before trying to dismantle the cage. The same applies to the top tube clamps holding the top rails to the uprights. Spray the grub screws with penetrating oil and leave some time to work before removal.

Longer uprights and new surround and dividing netting (traditional knotted or heavyweight braided knotless netting) will also be required to suit the higher cage. Most reputable cricket specialists will be able to provide these and any additional components required.

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