



Height of Cut Guide for a Cricket Square is just that a guide to height of cuts over the cricket year, with some small explanations to each season helping you decide on your final height of cuts. I shall break down heights by seasons as below.

### **Spring- 15-22mm**

Gradually prior to the first game reduce from the winter hoc to the spring hoc. This range will help the plant to thicken and dry out the square prior to the first games, in and around pre season rolling

Aim to be at 12-15mm by the start of the first game



### **In Season-Square 12-18mm / Wicket 5-12mm**

Hoc of wickets over the years have increase but final hoc is dependent on grass density, location, standard of cricket and possible format and surface levels



### **Renovations- Aftercare 30-40mm**

First cut after renovations within a range of 30-40 mm, reducing to the winter hoc below over a number of cuts, often started with rotary mower.

Ensure blade/cylinder is sharpe, to prevent tearing of the new leaf.

Don't remove more than a third of the leaf in any one cut.



### **Winter- 18-22mm**

Often with a cylinder mower cutting as growth demands 10-12 months a year This range ensures good air flow around the base of the plant but also helps with plant density

Longer shoot, longer roots but also need to manage density and disease risk

**Outfield-** 12-20mm in summer & 20-35mm in winter. Higher end of ranges based on dual sports sites, would be even higher if rugby

**Renovations works-** Cut as low as possible prior to renovations works avoiding scalping around 4-6mm



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