

# Engineering And Robotics Learned Young $\Leftrightarrow$ EARLY <br> <br> Spring 2006 Robotics Competition <br> <br> Spring 2006 Robotics Competition Playing Field Details 

The 2005-2006 EARLY Robotics Competition playing field, The Moon, is a 4' $\times 4$ ' field with a 2 " $\times 4$ " border with various terrain features. The following information is provided for constructing the playing field. If you have any questions or comments, please email EARLY at Mission.Control@EARLYrobotics.org or visit the EARLY Neighborhood Forums at www.EARLYrobotics.org.

## The Moon




Spring 2006 Model Positions


Playing field


Playing Field Dimensions


View from Planitia Descensus


Mineral and Oxygen Processing Facilities

Mineral Processing Facility



View from Bulk Processing Facility


Bulk Processing Facility


Oxygen Processing Facility



Luna Carrier


Mineral Processing Facility, Oxygen Processing Facility, Catena Mendeleev, and Robot Base interface


Catena Mendeleev and Montes Agricola interface


Ronger Carrier


Catena Mendeleev, Montes Agricola, Planitia Descensus, and Bulk Processing Facility interface


Rima Euler, Montes Agricola, Catena Mendeleev, and Oxygen Processing Facility interface

- The bottom of the playing field is a $4^{\prime} \times 4^{\prime}$ sheet of $\frac{3}{8}{ }^{\prime \prime}$ plywood.
- The outer boundary of the playing field is made of $2^{\prime \prime} \times 4^{\prime \prime}$ boards, with the short edge attached to the playing field. The boundary is black.
- The Robot Base is a $15^{\prime \prime}$ by $15^{\prime \prime}$ flat area and is red.
- The Mineral Processing Facility is a 15 " by 15 " piece of $\frac{3}{4}$ " plywood and is white. It is positioned against the playing field boundary corner with the exposed edges adjacent to the Rовот BASE and the OXygen Processing Facility. The plywood is fastened to the field with glue, nails, or screws.
- The Oxygen Processing Facility is a $15^{\prime \prime}$ by $15^{\prime \prime}$ flat area and is white.
- The Bulk Processing Facility is a 30 " by 15 " flat area and is white.
- Mare Tranquillitatis is an $11 \frac{1}{4}$ " by 15 " flat area and is gray.
- MoNTES AGRICOLA is a $15^{\prime \prime}$ by 15 " piece of $\frac{3}{4}$ " plywood and is gray. It is positioned against the playing field boundary with the exposed edges adjacent to Mare Tranquillitatis, Catena Mendeleev, and Planitia Descensus. The plywood is fastened to the field with glue, nails, or screws.
- Planitia Descensus is a $15^{\prime \prime}$ by $15^{\prime \prime}$ flat area and is gray.
- RIMA EULER is a $3 \frac{3}{4}$ " by 15 " area with 3 strips of equally spaced molding and is light blue. The molding is $\frac{1}{4}$ " $\times \frac{3}{4}$ " screen molding and is 15 " long. The molding can be purchased at Home Depot (part \# 927-139) and is the same material used for CaTENA MENDELEEV. The spacing between the molding strips is approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ " and can be easily obtained by using a temporary strip of molding as a spacing gauge. The molding is fastened to the field with glue, nails, or screws.
- Catena Mendeleev is a $15^{\prime \prime}$ by $15^{\prime \prime}$ area with two squares constructed from molding and is light blue. The molding is $\frac{1}{4}$ " $\times \frac{3}{4}$ " screen molding. One square is positioned on the inside perimeter of CATENA MENDELEEV. One square is inscribed within the perimeter square with the corners midway of each side. The molding can be purchased at Home Depot (part \# 927-139) and is the same material used for Rima Euler. The molding is fastened to the field with glue, nails, or screws.

Activity Idea: Have team members calculate the length of the inscribed square sides using the Pythagorean Theorem.

- The gray color can be obtained by mixing 1 part black paint with 3 parts white paint.
- The light blue color can be obtained by mixing 1 part dark blue paint with 3 parts white paint.

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Thank you for maintaining the spirit of the game!

