

# **FIRST TEAM SPORTS, INC.**

## **FT22 AIRBALL GRABBER®**

### **Assembly Instructions**



#### **Bill of Materials**

- (1) Net**
- (1) Mounting Bracket**
- (4) #12 Self Drilling Screw**
- (5) Fiberglass Rod**
- (15) Plastic Cable Tie**
- (2) Ground Stake**

**\*Cross check bill of materials against the contents of the carton. If anything is missing, contact First Team customer service immediately at 1-800-649-3688.**

**ATTENTION:**

**Installation will require a six foot ladder, socket wrench, electric drill with 3/16" drill bit.**

**NOTE:** The Airball Grabber is designed to be attached to a square post. If you are installing the unit on a round post, it is recommended to purchase two hose clamps from your local hardware store. The Net Mounting Bracket is notched at the top and bottom as a cradle for optional hose clamp use.

**1. Position the Mounting Bracket on the back side of your basketball post as shown in Figure 1. Be sure the bracket is oriented as shown in Figure 1 with the single nut at the top. Also, make sure the bottom of the bracket is no less than 88" above the playing surface.**

**2. Using a pencil, mark each mounting hole location on your basketball post. Use an electric drill and 3/16" drill bit to drill a hole at each mounting location.**

**3. Unroll the net onto a large flat surface.**

**4. Insert one Fiberglass Rod into each of the five welded nuts on the Mounting Bracket. (Figure 2)**

**5. Turn the Mounting Bracket/Rod assembly rod-side down and lay it on the Net. Orient the Fiberglass Rods so the tips of each rod line up with the colored leads tied on the net. Please exercise caution to avoid eye injury to anyone nearby.**

**6. Insert one Plastic Cable Tie through the pair of holes at the end of each Fiberglass Rod. (See Figure 3)**

**7. Secure the net to each rod end by wrapping the cable tie around the poly rope at the same position as the colored lead string referred to earlier. Pull cable ties snug. (Figure 4)**

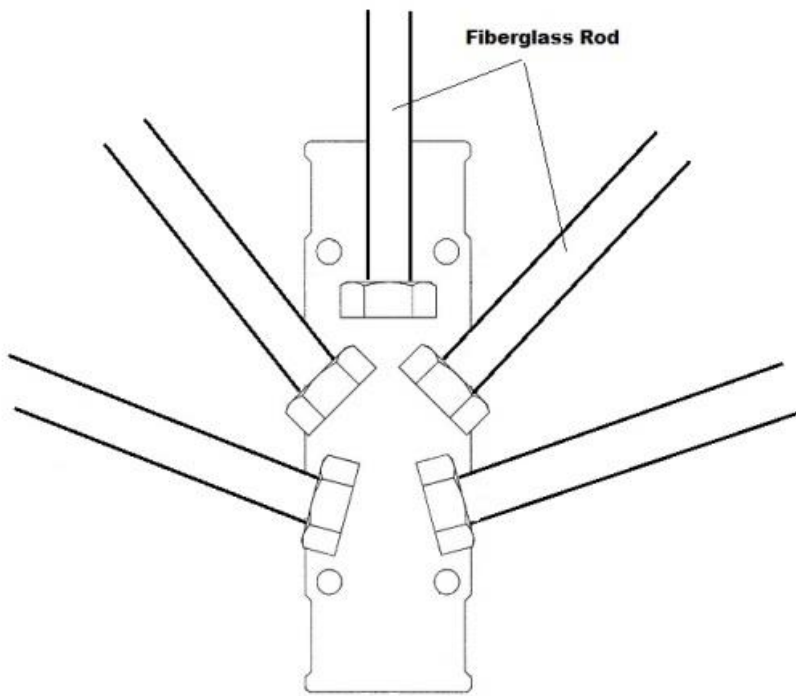
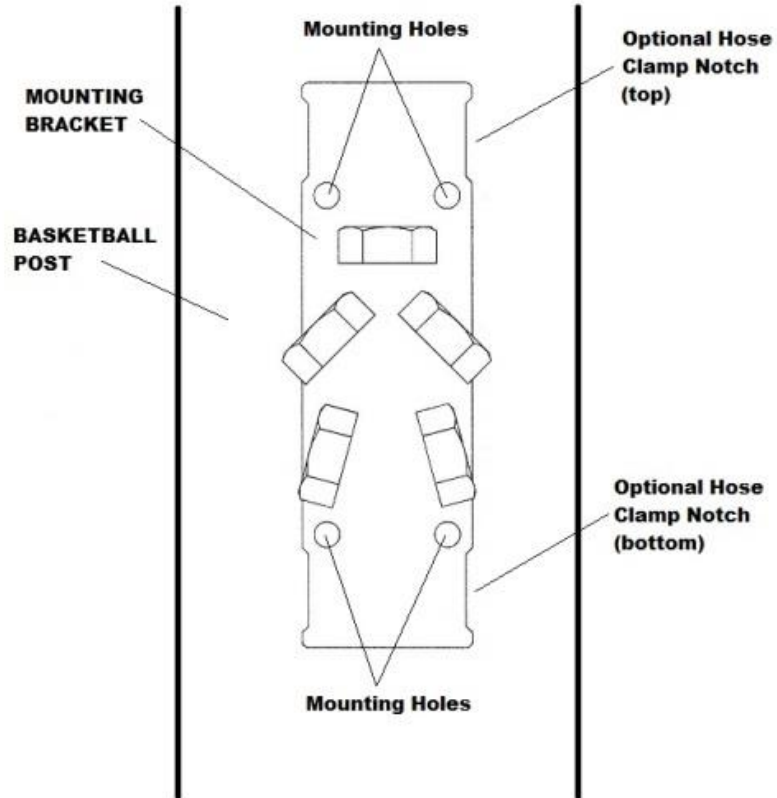
**STEP 8 REQUIRES TWO PEOPLE**

**8. Hang assembly on back of basketball post – Line up the four holes drilled in your post with the four mounting holes in the Net Mounting Bracket. Use a (1) self drilling screw to secure the bracket to the post at all four points. (Note, if you are using hose clamps, wrap one hose clamp around the top and bottom of the bracket and upright post. Tighten hose clamps until bracket is secure making sure the hose clamps are cradled in the notches provided on the bracket.**

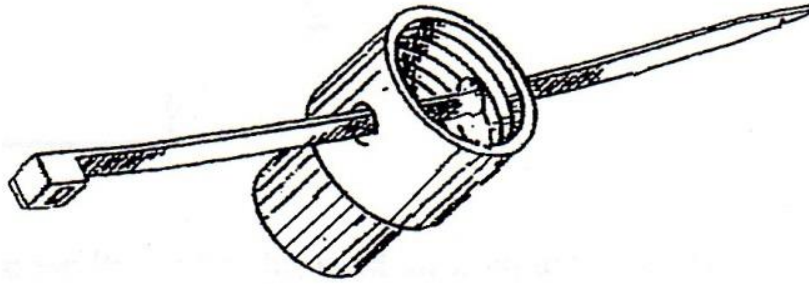
**9. Secure the bottom corners of the net to the ground using the two Ground Stakes provided.**

**PLEASE NOTE:** Always follow the safety requirements outlined by your basketball equipment manufacturer. You should not use this product if your basketball system manufacturer's warranty is voided by the installation of Airball Grabber. Airball Grabber components are covered against manufacturing defects for a period of one year.

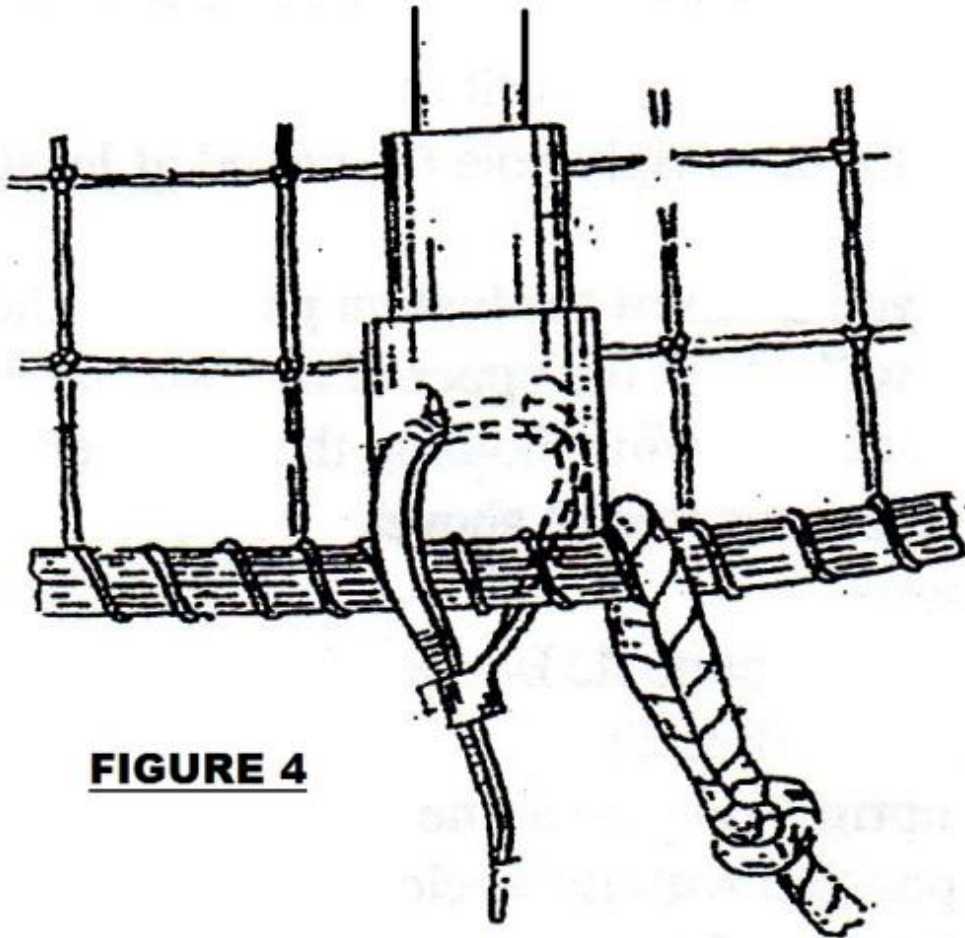
**FIGURE 1**



**FIGURE 2**



**FIGURE 3**



**FIGURE 4**