

HOME RUN DERBY

STEP 1: ESTABLISH A HOME RUN BOUNDARY

In a backyard or large room, pick a boundary that will serve as your home run “fence.” Remember, this doesn’t have to be an actual fence; it could be a garden fence, landscape wall, a line drawn on the ground with spray paint, a line of chairs set up with the backs facing the hitter, or even arrange members of your household in an arc with an imaginary line connecting to them.

Remember, if you're playing indoors, be sure to do so clear of anything breakable, and with the hitter safely distanced from other members of the household. Consider substituting rolled up socks for balls, or using only the Franklin plastic balls when indoors to minimize the potential for damage.

STEP 2: SET THE BATTING ORDER

Among your household, set a batting order for the first round of the home run derby. The person hitting may choose their pitcher.

STEP 3: SWING FOR THE FENCES!

Each person tries to hit as many home runs as possible with 20 swings. The two individuals with the highest home run total advance to the finals and compete head-to-head in a 10-swing battle for household domination! For tiebreakers, use a head-to-head, five-swing playoff until there is a winner.

