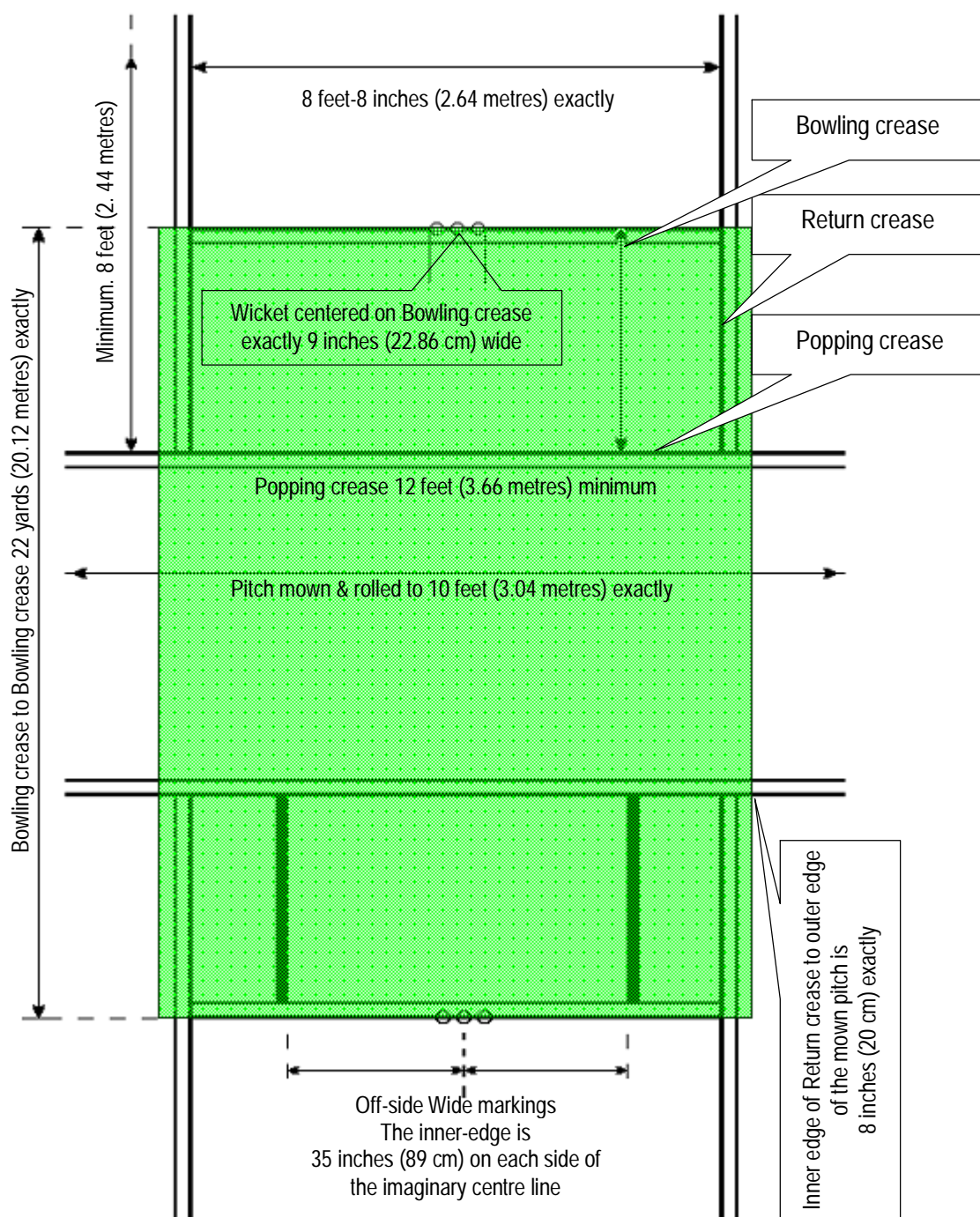


Laws 7 & 9 – The pitch & Crease markings

Groundsmen should use a chalk-line to make preliminary markings, from the imaginary centre-line

- Traditional markings are shown at the top half of this picture



- ALL Limited-over matches - Off-side Wides markings are shown on the bottom half of this picture. Solid white lines must be painted between the Popping crease and the Bowling crease as follows:**
 - The **inner-edge of each line:** 17 inches (43.2 cm) inside each Return crease – i.e. 35 inches (89 cm) on each side of the imaginary Centre-line
 - If a ball passes outside the Off-side Wide-line or outside the line of Leg-stump without touching the striker, the Bowlers end umpire must call & signal WIDE
 - If the striker moves to bring the ball within his reach, or to create a Wide, he negates the Wide