Intricacies of a Football Field

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Try calculating the following to determine the length of a scaled-down field.

1. $\dfrac{0.25 \text{ inch } (1/4)}{1 \text{ yard}} = \dfrac{x \text{ inches}}{120 \text{ yards}}$

2. $\dfrac{0.5 \text{ inch } (1/2)}{1 \text{ yard}} = \dfrac{x \text{ inches}}{120 \text{ yards}}$

3. $\dfrac{0.125 \text{ inch } (1/8)}{1 \text{ yard}} = \dfrac{x \text{ inches}}{120 \text{ yards}}$

Which of the three scales would have a reasonable end length?

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Try calculating the following to determine the width of a scaled-down field.

4. $\dfrac{0.25 \text{ inch (1/4)}}{1 \text{ yard}} = \dfrac{x \text{ inches}}{57.3 \text{ yards}}$

5. $\dfrac{0.5 \text{ inch (1/2)}}{1 \text{ yard}} = \dfrac{x \text{ inches}}{57.3 \text{ yards}}$

6. $\dfrac{0.125 \text{ inch (1/8)}}{1 \text{ yard}} = \dfrac{x \text{ inches}}{57.3 \text{ yards}}$

Which of the three scales would have a reasonable end width?

Coaches have clipboards that are 8.5 x 11 inches. What scale would you need to ensure the field fits on a singl sheet of paper? *Don't forget that a football field has an additional 10 ards in each end zone.*

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