

# POWER CELL Guide

FIELD STAFF will replace POWER CELLS when they are visibly damaged (i.e. significant tears, gouges, large chunks missing, etc.) and no longer suitable for play. Minor surface wear and tear or marking is expected and will not result in POWER CELLS being replaced. Changes in non-visible behavior (such as compression) are not expected to be assessed by FIELD STAFF and will not result in the POWER CELL being replaced.

This table was put together to help FTAs and Field Supervisors gauge if POWER CELLS should be pulled from play. Please understand that these are not rules to follow, but rather guidelines to understand the severity of damage.

As of 3/3/2020 there is an approved method for “fixing” POWER CELLS. Please see the following page for details.

| 1 – Fresh  | 2 – Played, Marked  | 3 – Some Gouges, Playable, Not Removed from Game Play                                 |
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| <p>4 – Big Gouges, held out of Game Play, Removed from Game Play but Could be Reintroduced if Needed</p> | <p>5 – Not Playable, Held Out of Game Play</p>                                      |  |
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## Fixing POWER CELLS:

FIRST has approved the use of “Aleene’s Fabric Fusion Permanent Fabric Adhesive” (or a similar product) to repair POWER CELLS. This adhesive is NOT an instant dry adhesive. POWER CELLS repaired with adhesive should not be put into game play until the following day. We recommend repairing POWER CELLS before leaving the venue in the evening so they can be put into play the following day.

To use the adhesive:

1. Identify a POWER CELL that can be repaired
  - a. Sliced POWER CELLS that can be glued together
  - b. POWER CELLS that have “flaps” that can be glued down
  - c. POWER CELLS that have gouges with the part that was gouged out
2. Apply adhesive. Adhesive should NOT be placed on the outside of the POWER CELL.
  - a. Take care to not allow adhesive to seep onto outer coating – the outside texture of the POWER CELL should not be modified
  - b. Only apply as much adhesive as needed. It likely will take very little adhesive to get the POWER CELL fixed.
3. Wait until the following day to put the POWER CELL into play.
4. Document how many POWER CELLS have been “fixed”. If possible, pack the repaired ones together and label the box “Repaired POWER CELLS” so the next event knows they have been repaired.

The approved adhesive can be purchased in store at the following retailers:

Michaels (Craft Store): <https://www.michaels.com/aleenas-fabric-fusion/M10429007.html>

JOANN Fabrics and Crafts: <https://www.joann.com/aleene-s-fabric-fusion-permanent-adhesive/8595175.html>

Walmart: <https://www.walmart.com/ip/Aleene-s-Permanent-Fabric-Fusion-Adhesive-4-FI-Oz/17299874>

Home Depot may carry it: <https://www.homedepot.com/p/Aleene-s-4-oz-Fabric-Fusion-Permanent-Fabric-Adhesive-23473/205748590>