

# MEASURING A TENNIS SERVE



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### **SET-UP INSTRUCTIONS**

 Carefully aim the radar beam directly toward the ball as it makes contact with the racket. Adjust the radar height and tilt accordingly creating a radar beam, the ball needs to travel down this beam.

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- **2.** The ball needs to be hit just above the net, right over the radar.
- 3. Position the radar behind the net to prevent it from getting hit. The court distance provides the required 15-20 feet the radar needs to be away from the athlete, allowing the spot size of the radar beam to spread out.
- 4. Hit the ball directly in line with the radar beam. Only count the speeds where the ball goes directly toward the radar.

### **IMPORTANT TIPS**

- Radar guns focus radio waves down into a narrow beam, like a flashlight beam. Aim carefully down the beam to get good readings.
- **2.** Place radar behind the court net to be protected from being hit by a ball.
- **3.** Check for interference by holding down the radar main button and scanning the area when there are no balls in flight.
- **4.** Ensure your set-up is safe to prevent property damage or injury.



## MEASURING A TENNIS SERVE **INCORRECT SET-UP**



#### Meets minimum 15 to 20 feet of ball travel distance requirements

### CAUSES OF **INACCURATE READINGS**

**1.** To measure the maximum speed of a tennis serve, it is very important to aim the radar properly.

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- 2. The radar needs to tilted up to create a beam for the ball to travel down, picking up the top speed as the ball makes contact with the racket.
- **3.** In this example, the radar is not aimed in line with the path of the ball, the ball doesn't enter the radar beam at all.

### **IMPORTANT TIPS**

- 1. Radar guns focus radio waves down into a narrow beam, like a flashlight beam. Aim carefully down the beam to get accurate readings.
- 2. A tennis ball slows down by over 20 MPH from the racket to the bounce due to air resistance.
- 3. Check for interference by holding down the radar main button and scanning the area when there are no balls in flight.
- **4.** Ensure your set-up is safe to prevent property damage or injury.