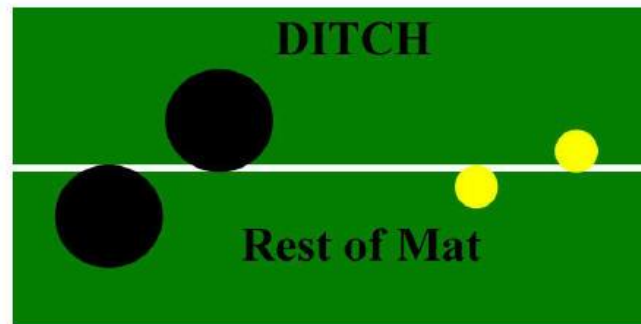


Clarification of Rule 4.4 & 4.5 (Toucher / Jack in ditch)



A toucher or jack is considered to be "in the ditch" if **any part of** the toucher or jack breaks the ditch line. As such they are still in play and rules 4.3, 4.4 and 4.5 should be applied.

4.3 The position of a live jack or live bowl in the ditch is to be marked by drawing a chalk circle, on the mat, around the jack or bowl. These marks are to be used to replace either live jack or live bowls should they be moved invalidly.

4.4 The position of a toucher in the ditch **can only be validly altered if it is moved by a jack in play or another toucher in play**. If this occurs the new position should be marked as per 4.3

4.5 The position of a live jack in the ditch **can only be validly altered if it is moved by another toucher in play**. If this occurs the new position should be marked as per 4.3