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DIY DIAGNOSIS

QUICK ON THE DRAW

On your next trip to the DIY store, keep a lookout for a triple ruler set like the one pictured. It can help you nail that prized soft right-to-left shape

1 Set ball-target line

We all know shot-shaping is a matter of creating a certain relationship between the clubface's aim and the swing's path at impact, but when it comes to what that relationship should be, we become a little more fuzzy. A triple ruler can clear things up. Put it down in front of the ball and set the top length along your ball-target line.

2 Set the swing path

Set the bottom length running to the right of your target (right-handers). This represents your swing path; the bigger draw you want to hit, the further right of the target you need to align this length. Set your feet, hips and shoulders parallel to this line and visualise a swing that sends the clubhead along this path through the ball.

3 Set the clubface

Align the middle length between the two, a little closer to the swing path line than the ball-target line. This is the aim of your club at impact, so square the face to it at address. Note that for right-handers, the face must aim right of target at impact to hit a draw; the right-to-left shape comes because the face is closed to the swing path.