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When you create a new spec sheet, Spectre Cloud asks you to identify the ball and add any relevant context before drilling details are entered. The three fields — **ball name**, **date**, and **notes** — form the spec sheet's identity and make it easy to find, review, and compare records later.

Ball Name

The **Ball Name** field is the primary label for the spec sheet. It appears in the bowler's spec sheet list, in their arsenal, and on any printed or exported records.

-  Enter the full ball name as it appears on the ball or packaging — for example, [Storm Phaze II](#) or [Hammer Black Widow 2.0](#).
-  Be consistent with naming across clients so searches and comparisons are easier.
-  If the bowler has more than one of the same ball model, consider adding a distinguishing suffix — for example, [Storm Phaze II \(spare\)](#) or [Storm Phaze II #2](#).
-  Avoid abbreviations or shorthand that only make sense to you — other staff members accessing the record should immediately understand which ball is being described.

Arsenal Plus tip: If the **Arsenal Plus** plugin is active, you can also link a spec sheet to a ball in the bowler's arsenal using barcode scanning or the [bowlingdatabase.com](#) integration, which can pre-

fill ball details automatically. See *Arsenal Plus — Linking Spec Sheets to Arsenal Balls* for details.

Date

The **Date** field records when the ball was drilled or when the spec sheet was created. Spectre Cloud defaults this to today's date, but you can change it to reflect the actual drill date if you are entering a record retroactively.

- The date is displayed in the spec sheet list, making it easy to identify the most recent drilling for a given ball.
- Accurate dates are especially useful when a bowler has multiple spec sheets for the same ball model drilled at different times.
- When reviewing a bowler's history, spec sheets are sorted chronologically — a correct date keeps the timeline accurate.
- Leaving a retroactive entry with today's date can cause confusion when reviewing a bowler's drilling history over time.

Notes

The **Notes** field is a free-text area for any additional context about this spec sheet that does not belong in the drilling fields themselves.

Common uses for Notes

- Recording why a layout was chosen — for example:
- Logging any post-drill adjustments, such as surface changes or weight hole additions.
- Flagging follow-up items — for example:
- Noting the staff member who performed the drilling if your shop tracks this outside of a formal job board workflow.
- Adding context for a cloned spec sheet — for example:

Tip: The Notes field is plain text — keep entries concise and scannable. If your shop uses the **Job Board** plugin, detailed service history per ball lives there instead, and Notes can stay brief.

☐☐ How These Fields Appear in Spectre Cloud

Field	Where it appears	Editable after saving?
Ball Name	Spec sheet list, arsenal view, print/export	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
Date	Spec sheet list, drilling history timeline	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
Notes	Spec sheet detail view	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes

Note: All three fields can be updated at any time by opening the spec sheet and editing the header section. Changes are saved to the cloud immediately and sync across all devices. *Verify with Spectre team: confirm whether editing the date or ball name on a spec sheet linked to an arsenal ball updates the arsenal entry as well.*

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