## Rectangular System Subdivisions



The location of the initial point, base line, principal merdian, standard parallels, guide meridians, ranges, townships, and sections.

## A Typical Township Showing Adjoining Sections

| 36 | 31 | 32 | 33 | 34 | 35 | 36 | 31 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 6 |
| 12 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 7 |
| 13 | 18 | 17 | 16 | 15 | 14 | 13 | 18 |
| 24 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 19 |
| 25 | 30 | 29 | 28 | 27 | 26 | 25 | 30 |
| 36 | 31 | 32 | 33 | 34 | 35 | 36 | 31 |
| 1 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 6 |

The earth's curvature causes some townships to contain more or less than 36 square miles and the sections on the North and West township boundaries will be irregular. The North and or West Quarters of these sections are then divided into "lots"

## A SECTION OF LAND-640 ACRES

Chains Rods Feet
Quarter Sections and Subdivisions Thereof



A rod is $161 / 2$ feet
A chain is 66 feet or 4 rods
A link is $1 / 100$ of a chain or 7.92 inches
A mile is 320 rods, 80 chains or 5,280 feet.
To reduce square feet to acres,
.000023 is the reciprocal of 43,560 square feet.
Multiply the number of square feet by .000023 ,
or multiply by 23 and count off six decimal places.

A square rod is $2721 / 4$ square feet.
An acre contains 43,560 square feet.
An acre contains 160 square rods.
An acre is about $2083 / 4$ feet square.
An acre is 8 rods wide by 20 rods.
long or any two numbers
(of rods), whose product is 160 .

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