

Sand ripple marks in a tank
How symmetrical ripple marks form in sand

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The tank can be rolled back and forth on pieces of broom handle rather than lifting it up and down - less tiring and more controllable. Once the ripples have formed, move the broom handles through 90 degrees and gently do the same back and forth motion; you should be able to form ladder ripples.