



FAQs

Frequently Asked Questions

At Sports Venue Padding, we specialize in developing and installing custom padding and mats for your difficult to cover areas. We are known for our sports padding technology, along with a series of patented innovations, guaranteed to make your facility stand out!

FEATURED SPORTS

- Baseball
- Softball
- Football
- MMA
- Basketball
- Tennis
- Soccer
- Gymnastics
- Stunt Work

CATEGORIES

- Field Padding
- Indoor Padding
- Digital Printing
- Rail Padding
- Gate Padding
- Post Padding
- Custom Solutions
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- Columns & I-Beams
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- Skill Development
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1. Why is your digital printing different from silk screening or placing vinyl decals on top of the vinyl surface?

Because our digital printing is an environmentally conscious process that provides UV Curable CYMK (Cyan, Yellow, Magenta, and Black) with the addition of "white" ink, we are able to print directly onto a colored surface like the green you often see in stadiums. We are able to print on all colors of vinyl.

Whereas, vinyl DECALS applied on top of the vinyl surface with adhesive tend to crack, peel and tear during the sports season. Even when you order SILK SCREENING, you are generally receiving only one or two colors.

2. What are the advantages of digital printing on colored vinyl compared to screen printing or digital printing on white vinyl?

Silk screen printing is generally expensive, and limits your ability to see all the colors in your sponsor logo, team logo, or mascot. Digital printing on white vinyl will fade in the sun. It will also fade indoors under fluorescent lighting. And, if a ball hits the white vinyl surface, you will see ball marks. Eventually, the white color will show through.

The advantage of Integrated Digital Printing directly to the colored VINYL is that the image adheres to the vinyl and is extremely durable. If a player or ball



hit the printed surface, it will not scratch, peel or tear. If the image endures a lot of trauma, you will eventually see the original fabric color behind the damage. You will not see white coming through because the base vinyl is a color other than white, allowing the graphic presentation to last considerably longer.

3. What is the difference between your gate padding and what is currently available through other padding manufacturers?

If you look at standard gate pads, they either cover the top, sides and bottom of the gate or they cover the gate but leave the hinge exposed at a 45° angle.

Our baseline Sliding Gate Pads cover the hinges and have a mechanism that allows the gate to be easily opened into the field of play without scrunching up the padding. From the field view you can't tell the difference between a regular wall pad and a gate pad.

Our patented Automatic-Wedge Gate Pad has a wedge built in that automatically lifts out when the gate is opened and automatically resets against the hinge when the gate is closed, leaving a flush looking presentation.



Both the sliding and hinged gate systems were designed by our engineers to address customer concerns and are patent protected. To view, refer to our [GATE and DOOR PADDING](#) page.

4. What is the best way to request a cost estimate for both the wall padding and digital printing?

For indoor padding we can send you a measuring template with guidelines on how to measure your walls and areas that require cut-outs. A digital photo of the wall/s is very helpful to prepare the most accurate quote, and allows us to address concerns that might have been missed. For outdoor field padding, we need the total lineal feet and height of the padded area on the outfield and/or baseline wall. For rail and upright post padding, we have a measuring template that will help you determine the correct lineal feet for estimate preparation. We also offer an onsite visit to take measurements, identify areas where we can provide improvements, and show samples of our materials and digital printing. Visit our [INSTALLATION](#) page for an instructional PDF download.

5. What type of team, mascot, or sponsor logo/artwork file is preferred/required for the best image production?

A high resolution Vector formatted image file is best. For example, an Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator, or Corel draw file. A photograph (jpg, tif, bitmap) can distort when enlarged because it consists of dots (pixels), as opposed to a vector file made of clear lines and angles. We have a large selection school/university logos and mascots in our library.

6. Do you offer replacement padding for home plate rotationals and scorer's tables?

Yes. We use special connection hardware that stretches the vinyl taut and smooth. This ensures an attractive presentation that is more durable than when using Velcro connections, which can break-down quickly and are commonly used by other padding manufacturers. Integrated Digital Printing can be ordered to display your team name/mascot or sponsorship advertising.

7. Do you have a solution to alleviate having to paint a yellow home run line on our field padding?

Yes. We developed two products that solve this issue. If the home run line is along bullpen fencing, we have a fence-top pad with yellow fabric on the top and your standard stadium colored vinyl on the bottom. If the home run line is along your outfield padding, we have



a replaceable yellow top-cap that is mounted to the top of the pad. In each scenario, there would be no need to paint the home run line again.



8. What if I have angled I-Beams or columns in my facility? Is it possible to make a pad to cover these areas?

Yes. We ask you to take a measurement at the top (72" height) of the I-beam/column and one at the bottom which allows us to capture the angle required to build the padded box to cover it. We are also able to incorporate cut-outs in the column pads as well. Please refer to our [COLUMNS & I-BEAMS](#) page.

9. I have outdoor light poles with electrical conduit and boxes attached; could you pad this type of area?

It will be very helpful to send a digital photograph with your quote request and we will advise what measurements are necessary to design a custom solution and work-up an estimate. Typically, we build a box around the electrical components and a round pad to cover the pole. The two fit together. Feel free to refer to our [CUSTOM SOLUTIONS](#) page.

10. How do you build a pad for an outdoor pole/post with a large concrete base?

We build a pad to cover the concrete base with a round or square pad for the upright. A photograph accompanied with the circumference and height of the

concrete base along with the circumference of the pole is required. We will also need the measurement from the top of the concrete base to the pole. We provide a CAD drawing for your approval to confirm the measurements prior to fabrication. Feel free to refer to our [POST PADS](#) page.

11. What is the best way to measure a post or rail to ensure the padding will fit properly?

The best way to measure a posts or rails is to wrap a string around them, measure the length of the string, which will provide us with the circumference of the post or rail, and to advise us of the desired height. 6' height is standard.

12. What if I have to pad something that has not been mentioned here?

Send us a picture and we will design a custom solution for you. We welcome all custom padding work. This is our specialty. Feel free to refer to our [CUSTOM SOLUTIONS](#) page.