a geo-textile fabric to separate the base from the sub base, and then construct the base. The base shall consist of proper sized stones and fine grading to achieve desired drainage. Stone selection is crucial to the project. The stones comprise the base. They are important for the drainage of the field and the finished base product. The stones used shall have gone through a sieve analysis to ensure proper drainage of the base. “Shock pads” are sometimes used. This is a product that lies between the base and the actual carpet to absorb shock.

Once the base is complete, the synthetic turf company will come in and complete the project by installing the chosen synthetic surface on the field. The carpet is rolled out and seamed together. This is usually done by using adhesives or sewing. Once the carpet is laid, the infill is added. The infill is usually an all rubber product or a rubber/silica sand mixture.

Play begins. In summary, the steps include

- Determine needs
- Choose site and make certain site can support desired field
- Choose synthetic turf company
- Play
- Maintenance
- Build Field
- Choose qualified base contractor

As stated earlier, the perceived and often real need for fewer management inputs is one of the reasons owners cite to select a synthetic turf field. Although less maintenance is generally required for synthetic fields compared to natural turfgrasses fields, there are still maintenance requirements that must be executed to extend the life of a finished synthetic turf field. These maintenance requirements include (but are not limited to): removal of debris, brushing and dragging to redistribute infill product, and spot cleaning to take care of biological spills.

With all things considered, the choice basically lies with the owners.

What are your needs?

Does a synthetic turf application work for you?

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