



Keep your tools and equipment clean: It is so tempting after a long hot day of installing to pack it and go home without cleaning your equipment. Upon job completion you must clean your tools and equipment. Failure to do so will cause you to waste money replacing them. Resin and rubber build up and it is almost impossible to clean them after the fact.

Keep the profit high and the headaches low: Because this is a fairly new product in the residential market you will get some amazing requests for unreal Rubber Surfacing applications: “Can you put it in the back of my truck?” “I would like to put in on the top of my Trailer”. Rubber Surfacing is a versatile product capable of adhering to almost any surface however; attempting to apply it to extreme surfaces will just end up costing you extra money in the end. Stick with the simple standard applications and you cant loose.

Recycled Tire Rubber and its uses: Recycled tire rubber is commonly used for areas that require fill in order to level the surface which is common in residential apps. Some playground companies will use painted recycled granules for their applications. This is not recommended for residential applications as the paint will wear off in time and the surface will get extremely hot in the sun. Recycled rubber also has a strong odor and does not have the stretching capability of standard EPDM rubber granules. Recycled rubber buffings are used in playground applications to act as the cushioning under the EPDM top coat. Recycled rubber granules can also be used as a base in applications where there is no existing substrate.

EPDM rubber: EPDM rubber is virgin rubber. This is the name of the standard Rubber Surfacing granules that you will be using in all your projects. Not all EPDM is the same. Ensure that you test your rubber before you decide to use it. Most manufacturers will provide you with their testing documentation. UV stability and stretching threshold are the two most important factors to consider. Our favorite method of testing the granules is tearing apart a granule by hand. The better it stretches the better the quality of rubber.

