

## Artificial Turf — Why It's Perfect for Baseball

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Baseball season is in full swing—no pun intended! That's why we at [Watersavers Turf](#) want to point out some of the reasons why artificial turf is perfect for baseball fields. Keeping a grass field healthy can get costly. The constant need to water, mow, and seed it puts a major burden on owners. Artificial turf is perfect for baseball because it doesn't require major upkeep. This helps reduce lawn care expenses by a huge margin.

This type of surface also prevents games from getting rained out. That's because it dries easily. It's also strong enough to stay in great shape even after intense gameplay. This cuts out repair costs.

### **Artificial Turf Improves Baseball Fields**

Artificial turf improves baseball fields in many ways. It's very useful for budget-strapped school districts. Every year, schools struggle to find money for sports programs. Upkeep costs are a major factor. When schools are low on funds, they often must remove sports programs. The expense of field upkeep is simply too great. Artificial turf improves baseball fields for school districts by giving them a safe surface that costs very little to maintain. This allows schools to keep offering students the chance to play.

Doing so is important. The next major league star could be a high school student now. He won't get the chance to realize his dreams if he doesn't get the chance to hone his skills. The game will suffer if rising stars miss the chance to practice during high school.

After all, Americans have been playing baseball since at least 1791. That's when Pittsford, MA banned people from playing it close to the town meeting house. During the Civil War, soldiers would play baseball in between battles. After the war, they returned home but kept playing it. This caused a rise in popularity that resulted in the formation of the major leagues.

### **The History of Artificial Grass Baseball Fields**

The history of artificial grass baseball fields dates back to 1966. That's when the Houston Astrodome replaced their live grass with fake sports turf. Stadium owners realized that not enough sunlight passed through the ceiling panels to keep real grass healthy.

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In 1965, the team even had to play on green-painted dirt! Another milestone in the history of artificial grass baseball fields took place in 1969. That's when the Chicago White Sox started using it for their infield and foul areas. This marked the first time a team had used these products in an outdoor baseball stadium.

The shift didn't just reduce lawn care costs for stadium owners. It changed how infielders played the game. Many found that balls bounced higher and moved faster on this new surface. Infielders began playing further back as a result. Over the years, new styles of turf hit the market, with more and more teams choosing this surface option.

### **Artificial Field Turf Offers Baseball Teams Savings**

Want to know more about how a artificial field turf offers baseball teams savings? Don't take our word for it. Steve Maillet, co-owner of two Frontier League franchises, is happy to discuss why a artificial field turf offers baseball teams savings that live grass simply can't.

When one of his teams replaced their grass field with artificial field turf, they saw results fast. They didn't need to invest in a grounds crew anymore. Same with lawn care supplies. The team uniforms didn't get dirty as quickly as they used to. This meant they didn't have to replace them as often. Balls stayed whiter too. Other teams would go through 350 dozen balls a season. Maillet's team only went through 250.

### **Quality Plastic Grass for Baseball Fields**

If you're seeking quality plastic grass for baseball fields, Watersavers Turf can help. Our products are non-toxic and lead-free. Our sports turf even meets FIFA standards. It's fire-resistant and UV-resistant. We put our products through a rigorous testing process before selling them. This ensures that we always supply quality plastic grass for baseball fields. You can read our certification information online. Just click [here](#).

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