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hen the Horned Frogs of Texas Christian University took to the gridiron for the 2012 season, their newly renovated Amon G. Carter Stadium offered the Horned Frog faithful new and more comfortable seating, wider concourses, improved restroom and concessions, handicapped accessible areas, new elevators and escalators, improved lighting and a new press box.

"These containers extend our sustainability initaiatives while building the Horned Frogs brand," said Bailey.

Combining aesthetics with functionality, the custom containers feature the Texas Christian Horned Frog on the receptacles which are powder coated to match the university's color scheme. The receptacles are enhanced with protective coated bases to add durability and protect the stadium concrete.

"Witt is excited to have been a part of Texas Christian University's inaugural Big 12-Season and we look forward to keeping Amon G. Carter Stadium clean and looking great for years to come," said John Winfield, Witt National sale manager. "We are honored that Texas Christian University joins our list of collegiate stadiums that have selected the Witt Stadium Series logo waste receptacles for concourse." Beyond merely collecting trash, Witt maintain that the positioning of waste and recycling receptacles can yield positive effects for buildings and facilities of all kinds. Conveniently placed waste & recycling containers (one container every 50 lineal feet is the standard for arenas and public venues) surely help to control litter and eliminate stray waste, resulting in a cleaner environment.

This can improve the mood and atmosphere of the facility-creating a sense of pride that would be absent in a trashy, littered environment. Likewise, the positioning of recycling containers simplifies the collections of cans, bottles, paper and more–making it easier than ever to be "green" at work.

Indeed many younger workers have grown up with recycling and see it as a social commitment. Now, with the advent of decorative and customizable containers, facility and sanitation managers can have the best of both worlds–functional receptacles that serve their purpose while meshing nicely within the interior or exterior décor of the facility.

Considerations for Outdoor Environments

A woman-owned manufacturer, Witt considers design to be vital for containers destined for outdoor usage, with some added considerations. Imagine an outdoor setting with a contemporary design would complement this look, traditionally styled receptacles would call attention to themselves because they may appear out of place.

Even within the overall look of the cans, there are materials of construction to consider. Metal slatted containers are available in differing styles–from traditional to more elaborate and decorative. The metal slat construction makes these containers resistant to graffiti–an additional concern when containers are to be used outside.

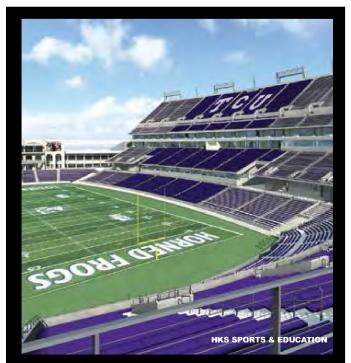
Most manufacturers also include items like leveling feet in case the area surface where the units are to deployed are not flat. An anchor kit and a lid cable are also provided as a vandalism deterrent– and to keep the units intact in the event of extreme weather.

Some manufacturers of metal slatted containers also offer other site amenities of like construction– including backless and backed benches, and planters – ensuring that the common look can be carried through to other site amenities. In addition to how the cans look, there are considerations for how well the cans function in the harsher outdoor environment. Ease of servicing is a major concern. And for high-moisture environments–including pools, aqua-parks, and beaches–materials of construction are important. Here an expanded metal container – with hot dipped galvanized construction-may well be the best choice given its longevity.

For containers placed on concrete in stadiums and arenas protective coatings are available which encapsulate the metal base. This sealing effect serves to protect the concrete over the long service life of the container.

Clearly waste and recycling containers have come a long way. In addition to provide a basic necessity – today's manufacturers provide receptacles with something for every interest. The aesthetically pleasing styles mesh well with architecture and color schemes.

Metal receptacles provide a long service like – and enduring value, allowing them to be amortized over a longer period. Easy-servicing features reduce the time spent emptying and cleaning the containers, so ongoing costs are kept in check as well.



"We expect the stadium renovation to transform the game-day experience of every Horned Frog fan," said T.Ross Bailey, TCU's associate athletics director.