



The "Pro-Installer" Spring Project Checklist

Beat the rush and install like a pro with these essential steps from Midwest Cover.

Phase 1: Precision Prep-Work

- **Watch the Horizon:** Never install on a windy day; the screen will act like a sail, creating a safety hazard and making a taut fit impossible.
- **Map Your Perimeter:** Lay each panel out by its corresponding fence section using your provided diagram to prevent any confusion.
- **Identify the "Front":** For a professional look, ensure the smooth, finished side faces the field or court. Stitched hems should always be against the fence.
- **Locate the Top:** If your screen features air vents (half-moon cutouts), these must always be installed at the top of the fence.

Phase 2: The "10-Foot Section" Method

- **Corner First:** Secure the top corner to the fence mesh itself, not the top rail, using a zip tie.
- **Temporary Hang:** Use metal "S" hooks to hold the weight of the panel along the top rail while you work—this saves you from fighting gravity.
- **Work in 10-Foot Increments:** Attach every grommet along the top for 10 feet, then go back and secure the side, then the bottom, before moving to the next section.
- **Mind the Gap:** Ensure there is a **6" to 12" gap** between the bottom of the screen and the ground to allow for airflow and protect the hem from mowers and weed eaters.

Phase 3: Hardware & Long-Term Durability

- **No Grommet Left Behind:** You must use a zip tie in **every single grommet**. Skipping them causes wind-load stress that leads to panel failure.
- **Choose the Right "Failure Point":** Use **50 lb. test UV-rated zip ties**. In extreme wind, you want the ties to break rather than having your fence bend or the screen rip.
- **Secure the Center:** For 9-foot screens, the center anti-billow grommet strip is mandatory to prevent "whipping" and shorten the screen's lifespan.
- **Taut, Not "Drum-Tight":** Avoid over-tightening ties, which causes the material to ripple. Aim for a flat, wrinkle-free surface.

Phase 4: Material Selection & Branding Options

Select the right durability and professional look for your project:

Step 1: Choose Your Core Material

- **Construction 85/90:** High-quality temporary screen for budget-conscious privacy and dust control. Available in finished panels or bulk rolls for large sites.
- **Polypro 95:** 100% polypropylene material offering 95% maximum opacity for total privacy.
- **Permascreen 80:** Durable vinyl-coated polyester that balances wind pass-through and long-term durability.
- **Permascreen Plus:** Rugged 11 oz. material with 85% opacity, built for heavy athletic wear.

Step 2: Define Your Branding Level

- **Direct Printing:** Bold, durable logos on construction or athletic perimeters for large-scale site branding.
- **Digital Printing:** High-impact, full-color, full-bleed graphics for vibrant mesh banners and complex designs.
- **Budget Stitch-On:** An entry-level, affordable option for adding basic logos or project information.

Step 3: Pick Your Team or Corporate Color

- [] **Standard:** Black, Forest Green, Royal Blue, Navy, Gray.
- [] **Vibrant:** Red, Burgundy, Yellow, Dark Purple, Purple.
- [] **Neutral:** Tan, Beige, Brown.

Step 4: Verify Finishing Specs (The Midwest Advantage)

- [] **4-Ply Hems:** Ensure they are double-stitched for maximum perimeter strength.
- [] **Reinforced Vinyl Tape:** Confirm presence under grommets for added durability.
- [] **Heavy-Duty Brass Grommets:** Built to resist rust and secure your screen to the fence.

The "Big Brand" Value Proposition

- **5-Year 'No Fade' Warranty:** We stand behind our print quality for years, not just seasons.
- **Proofs Before Every Job:** Digital proofs ensure your branding is perfect before it hits the production line.
- **Fast Turnaround:** Direct manufacturer access means your custom order moves faster than through a middleman.



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