

Q How many reuses can I expect?

A With proper care and jobsite management, expect SPS to get 1 use and ABS 5-10 uses.

Q What is the usual lead time?

A We stock our top plastic patterns at our Distribution Centers across the country so that patterns in stock will ship the next day. Patterns not in stock will ship in 5-7 business days. Custom orders depend on quantities and design difficulty.

Q When do I need to back my formliners and with what?

A When you have $\frac{3}{4}$ " or more spacing, liners need to be backed. There are many options, foam-backed liners, EPS foam strips, wood strips by contractor, etc.

Q How do I attach formliner to my forms?

A Plastic liners are easily attached with a power staple gun or screwed from the front.

Q How heavy are the formliners?

A Plastic formliners weight only 1-2 pounds per square foot.

Q Will the concrete mix effect the liner?

A If using colored concrete, you might see some staining on the liner, but with a light powerwash and scrub brush with soap, all residue should come off the liner. Any mix is acceptable.

Q How do I cut the formliner?

A Plastic liner can be cut with a small tooth saw blade or utility knife.

Q What side of the liner do I form against?

A We place a sticker on one side that informs the user to pour against the other side.

Q How does heat effect the liners?

A Plastic liners are effected by outside air temperature and can grow or shrink with the weather. We suggest that you attach your liners and pour the wall at a maximum air temperature difference of 5 degrees.

Q Can we get liners longer or wider?

A We are limited to a maximum 4'x10' sheet of plastic liner, but sheets can be combined to produce almost any dimension. Certain patterns are easier to combine.

Q Do the plastic liners bend to a radius?

A All of the plastic sheets can be curved into a radius. The real question is how tight of a radius? If forming a tight column, the fractured fin and fluted patterns will bend to a tighter radius, but the stones, brick and block patterns adapt to only larger radii.

Q Can we recycle the plastic sheets?

A While the material used in our plastic sheets is over 95% recycled material, the sheets cannot be recycled after use. Concrete residue and caulking cause this product to not be accepted by recyclers.

Q How do I make tie holes through the liner?

A There are a few different ways to do create tie holes. With plastic liners, you can heat up the end of a tie and burn a hole right in the spot of your tie. Make sure you don't use the heated tie in the wall.

Q What Form Release is suggested?

A Magic Kote®, Clean Strip™ J1A and Clean Strip™ Ultra J3 are recommended for formliners.