

# Mini-Pitch: Identify Your Site!

A mini-pitch is a customized, hard court soccer space suited for communities where space is at a premium. To address the lack of access to soccer facilities for structured programming and free play, our **Safe Places to Play** program transforms underutilized spaces into these state-of-the-art soccer mini-pitches. The brightly colored spaces also transform the look and feel of neighborhoods.

Examples of existing sites have included schoolyards, tennis courts, basketball courts, and parking lots.

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## Existing Site Requirements

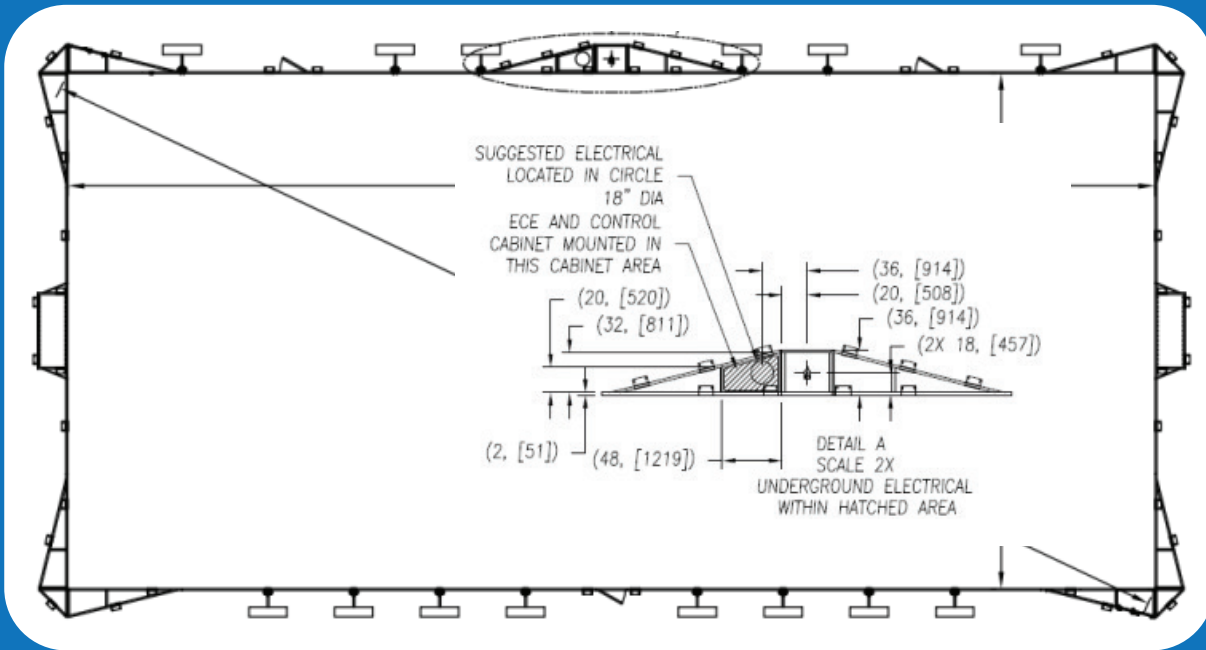
- Asphalt or concrete surface
- Surface dimensions of 45ft x 80ft or greater
- Surface does not have substantial defects (i.e. wide cracks, heaving, potholes) or other obstacles (i.e. drains, permanent walls).
- Surface is accessible by a telehandler or forklift for installation (or fence can be temporarily removed so this can occur).
- No planned renovations to the site for at least 6 years

# Mini-Pitch System Lighting



The structure includes a light pole with 2 LED lighting fixtures.

- Two circuits must be brought to a single point on the mini-pitch: **1)** a 120v control circuit and **2)** a lighting circuit. The lighting circuit needs a minimum of 208v single phase, but other options are available.
- Connection point can be in the middle of either sideline.
- 120v control circuit allows the lights to operate and be scheduled. The circuit draws less than an amp. A control transformer can be utilized in certain applications.
- The lighting circuit can be 208v, 240v, or 347v. The draw on the lighting circuit depends on the voltage (see table below – values are for a single fixture). All lighting circuits are single phase.



	200 Vac 50/60 Hz	208 Vac 60 Hz	220 Vac 50/60 Hz	230 Vac 50 Hz	240 Vac 50/60 Hz	277 Vac 60 Hz	347 Vac 60 Hz	380 Vac 50/60 Hz	400 Vac 50 Hz	415 Vac 50 Hz	480 Vac 60 Hz
Max operating current per luminaire <sup>2</sup>	3.32 A	3.19 A	3.02 A	2.89 A	2.77 A	2.40 A	1.92 A	1.75 A	1.66 A	1.60 A	1.39 A

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If you are ready to submit a mini-pitch site for review, please **click here**.