



OnCenter PVC Slatwall vs. Standard MDF Slatwall

Comparison of overall cost, durability, and aesthetics for the retail environment.

When a design firm, retail outlet, or architect decides to incorporate our PVC Slatwall panels into their next project, they can be confident they have chosen a product that brings a great deal of added value to the business. From cost savings to aesthetics, the benefits of using our PVC Slatwall over standard MDF panels are numerous.

Cost Benefits

Shipping

◉◉ The freight costs for OnCenter PVC Slatwall are less than MDF slatwall because our PVC Slatwall is substantially lighter than MDF (a 4' x 8' panel of MDF slatwall weighs between 80 and 100 lbs - the same size panel of OnCenter PVC Slatwall weighs 38 lbs). Thus, the cost of shipping one panel or one pallet of OnCenter PVC Slatwall is significantly less than the cost of standard MDF slatwall.

Installation

◉◉ Because our PVC Slatwall weighs less than standard MDF slatwall it is much easier and quicker to install. Generally speaking, installing standard MDF requires two people, whereas installing OnCenter PVC Slatwall only requires one person. This drastically reduces the amount of man-hours to complete an installation which in-turn reduces the overall cost of building or renovating a retail store.

Length of Service Life

◉◉ OnCenter PVC Slatwall offers a much longer service life than standard MDF slatwall in the retail environment. Standard MDF slatwall is generally made of fiberboard, a material that is known to be unreliable over time. Our PVC Slatwall is made entirely out of cellular PVC which retains its structural form over time and will not chip or break like MDF is known to do. This creates savings in that our PVC Slatwall panels need to be replaced far less frequently, if ever, compared to MDF slatwall which notoriously chips, scratches, warps, and disintegrates.

Aesthetics in Retail

Retaining the Brand-New Look

◉◉ OnCenter PVC slatwall panels are colored throughout, meaning they do not show scratches. MDF slatwall, on the other hand, will always show the slightest imperfection as it only has a thin layer of paint or laminate on the outside of the product. In addition to not showing scratches, our PVC Slatwall panels can be cleaned and maintained simply by wiping it down with a damp cloth. In the retail environment, color and cleanliness are everything which is exactly what our PVC Slatwall delivers.

Immune to Water Damage

◉◉ It is well known that standard MDF slatwall cannot be used outside and must be kept dry at all times, otherwise the product will deteriorate and warp. OnCenter PVC Slatwall is impervious to water damage and can be used for both interior and exterior retail displays.

Structural Strength

◉◉ OnCenter PVC Slatwall is 50% stronger than standard MDF slatwall which allows retailers to display a wider variety of products on their slatwall system. When installed properly, our PVC Slatwall gives retailers the ability to vertically showcase products that once had to sit on horizontal shelves due to their weight.