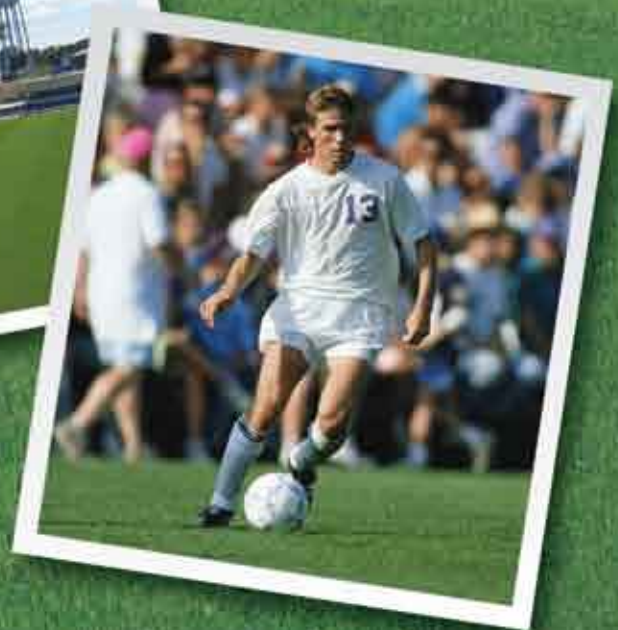


**Hunter**  
The Irrigation Innovators



## Hunter Industries and The U.S. Soccer Foundation...





TOYOTA PARK— Illinois



Prentup Field — Colorado



# A Perfect Match.

**H**unter Industries is one of the world's leading manufacturers of irrigation equipment for sports fields, landscapes, and golf courses. The U.S. Soccer Foundation is the Major Charitable Arm of Soccer in the United States. The U.S. Soccer Foundation's Partners Resource Center is a one-stop resource network for municipalities, schools, and recreation groups interested in developing soccer fields and associated programs. Hunter Industries is proud to be the Foundation's National Partner for Irrigation Equipment.

Given Hunter's focus on landscape irrigation, a large part of its business involves the proper care and maintenance of natural and synthetic sports turf, including soccer fields. Schools, municipalities, youth organizations, and parks and

recreation departments can count on Hunter's wide range of products and expertise when selecting irrigation equipment for a new or renovated soccer field project.

## Trusted Expertise at "The World Temple of Soccer"

Hunter has a reputation for providing state-of-the-art irrigation systems for some of the world's most popular stadiums...in all sports. Hunter was recently honored to provide irrigation equipment for the world-renowned Maracanã Stadium in Brazil—considered by many to be the “world temple” for “the beautiful game.” In preparation for the 2007

Pan-American Games, several areas of the legendary stadium were completely redeveloped with Hunter products, including the pitch, irrigation grid, and drainage system.

Hunter products have also been the choice for several other major soccer venues, including the Stade de Geneve in Switzerland and a number of Major League Soccer's new “soccer-specific” stadiums. With this kind of track record, it's easy to see why Hunter is the preferred choice of sports turf managers worldwide!



Crew Stadium—Ohio



Maracanã Stadium—Brazil



Stade de Geneve—Switzerland





### Healthy Turf Starts with Proper Irrigation

Proper irrigation equipment and scheduling are critical to maintaining a durable playing surface that can withstand the stress of sporting events. Proper irrigation ensures deep, healthy roots, and helps turf recover quickly from the rigors of athletic use. Conversely, poorly irrigated sports fields may fail to recover from substantial use and may become unplayable before the end of a season.

### Safety Always Wins

Safety is a key consideration in designing any athletic field. As the top choice of sports facilities worldwide, Hunter's rotary sprinklers are designed to be fully integrated into the playing surface to provide the highest level of player protection. Hunter's trademarked Pro-Tech™ safety system, for example, has a soft rubber boot that surrounds the rubber cover at the top of the sprinkler, so there are no metal

or hard plastic components close to the surface. This coupled with the small exposed surface area of the rubber cover, minimizes the potential for contact with athletes or children at play.

### Field Tested – Every Day, Every Way

The key to Hunter's reliable and turf-tested products is our modern manufacturing facilities and industry-unique testing and validation centers. Many of the company's manufacturing processes are fully automated for consistent, high-quality production, with Hunter-designed and -built assembly systems used widely throughout the corporation.



Hunter also has one of the most advanced testing labs in the industry, located on site at its company headquarters in Southern California. The lab can operate 24 hours a day, testing nozzle performance, and measuring rotation speed, trajectories and

*The Pro-Tech™ safety system's small exposed heavy-duty rubber boot keeps playing areas safe.*



overall sprinkler operation under a wide range of water pressures. Turf products are also extensively tested outdoors, using different types of soil from around the world to ensure that Hunter products will operate reliably in all geographic regions.

### Top in Field Support

No other company in the irrigation industry provides the kind of support that Hunter does. Irrigation specialists in Hunter's Technical Services Department are available to answer any questions about the installation or service of Hunter products or systems. In addition, Hunter's extensive web



*Experienced personnel and comprehensive online information provide Hunter customers with helpful solutions.*



site ([www.HunterIndustries.com](http://www.HunterIndustries.com)) provides a wealth of technical information on irrigation in general and our products in particular. Hunter's worldwide network of distributors and factory-trained salespeople comprise the final link that guarantees our products—and customers—are fully supported at the local level.

*The irrigation industry's most diverse testing procedures give Hunter products quality that is the envy of the competition.*



### Join the Team!

If you are associated with a municipality, school, soccer club, recreational department, or other organization supporting soccer, Hunter encourages you to contact the U.S. Soccer Foundation for more information about its Grants Programs and other support that the Foundation's Partners Resource Center has to offer. Simply call the Foundation at (202) 872-9277 or e-mail to [prc@ussoccerfoundation.org](mailto:prc@ussoccerfoundation.org). Information is also available at [www.ussoccerfoundation.org/prc](http://www.ussoccerfoundation.org/prc).





### About Hunter Industries

Headquartered in San Marcos, California, Hunter produces a full range of water-efficient products for athletic fields and sports complexes, large or small. As the industry’s innovation leaders, Hunter holds more than 250 product patents and 40 trademarks. Hunter employs more than 1,000 people worldwide and also has state-of-the-art manufacturing facilities in Cary, North Carolina; and Tijuana, Mexico; along with a network of international offices in Australia, China, England, France, Jordan, and Spain.



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### About the U.S. Soccer Foundation®

The U.S. Soccer Foundation was established in 1994 to manage the surplus funds generated by the 1994 FIFA World Cup held in the United States. As the Major Charitable Arm of Soccer in the U.S., the Foundation has invested more than \$40 million in the game, supporting hundreds of projects and touching every state in the country over the last decade. The Foundation provides grants focused on developing players, coaches and referees and building or enhancing fields and soccer complexes, with a special emphasis on economically disadvantaged youth in urban communities. For more information, please visit [www.ussoccerfoundation.org](http://www.ussoccerfoundation.org).



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