



# Arena Groomer Recommendations

Protecting Your Investment in Synthetic Footing

## WHY PROPER GROOMING MATTERS

Regular grooming is one of the most critical factors in the long-term performance and lifespan of your IGK synthetic arena footing. A quality drag groomer keeps your surface level, reduces compaction, and preserves the fiber-wax bond that makes our products perform.

We have identified a trusted supplier for grooming equipment that works specifically well with our TruStride™, LiteStride™, SteadiGait™, EquiBlend™, and SoftShoe™ footing systems. Their equipment is:

- Affordable and widely available
- Simple for barn staff to operate
- Easy to hook up to your existing equipment
- Available to purchase directly through their online marketplace

*Standard delivery timelines are 3–5 business days.*

## OUR RECOMMENDED GROOMER

### DragNfly Arena Groomer — Standard Series

Available Widths	60" – 96"
Custom Max Width	144"
Recommended Width	60" – 72"
Tine Type	Ripper + Coil

The DragNfly Standard Series is our primary recommendation for IGK footing maintenance. It is purpose-built for synthetic and mixed-media arena surfaces and provides the right level of tine action without disrupting the footing structure.

### Key Features

- Ripper blends — penetrate and reduce compaction without aggressive disruption
- Straight coil tines — level the surface evenly after each pass
- Rear roller — provides a smooth, finished surface texture
- Custom widths up to 144" available on request

**⚠ IGK does not recommend s-tines for our footings — they are too aggressive and may damage the fiber-wax matrix.**

### Width Selection Guidance

Standard units cover up to 96". For arenas with tight doorways or smaller footprints, we recommend staying at 60"–72" for best maneuverability. If you need a wider unit, the manufacturer can produce custom widths up to 144". The outer edge of the groomer must cover the outside edge of wheels on any equipment used while grooming.

### **Standard DragNfly Arena Groomer (60"–96")**

Primary recommended groomer for all IGK synthetic footing systems. Features ripper blends, straight coil tines, and rear finishing roller. Custom widths up to 144" available — contact manufacturer directly.

**Buy Direct:** <https://carolinaarenaequipment.com/product/dragnfly/>

## **REQUIRED ATTACHMENT**

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### **3-Point Tow Bar Attachment**

If your tractor or utility vehicle does not have a 3-point hitch, this tow bar attachment is required to connect the DragNfly groomer to your equipment. It is a straightforward addition that makes the groomer compatible with a wide range of ATVs, UTVs, and non-hitch tractors.

### **3-Point Tow Bar Attachment**

Required for use with non 3-point hitch equipment (ATVs, UTVs, etc.). Easy installation — compatible with the full DragNfly groomer lineup.

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## **OPTIONAL ACCESSORY**

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### **Edge Scraper**

Over time, footing naturally migrates toward the edges and walls of the arena. If left unaddressed, this leads to uneven surface depth and bare spots in the center. The edge scraper attachment helps pull footing back from the perimeter so depth stays consistent across the entire surface.

- Helps maintain consistent footing depth across the full arena
- Prevents buildup along walls and edges
- Recommended for arenas with heavy use or frequent pattern work

### **Optional Edge Scraper**

Pulls footing away from the outer edges during grooming passes. Prevents footing buildup at the wall and maintains even surface depth. Highly recommended for high-traffic facilities.

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## **GROOMING BEST PRACTICES FOR IGK FOOTINGS**

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Following a consistent grooming routine protects your footing investment and extends surface life significantly. Here are IGK's general recommendations:

- Groom after every 2–3 riding sessions, or whenever you notice compaction or uneven depth
- Vary your grooming pattern (diagonal, figure-8, perimeter-first) to prevent tracking

- Check and adjust tine depth seasonally — footing behavior can shift with humidity and temperature
- Use the edge scraper at least once per week in high-use facilities
- Inspect roller and tines for wear annually

**⚠️ IGK does not recommend s-tines for use with any of our synthetic footing products. Always use ripper blends and straight coil tines only.**

Questions about your footing or grooming setup? Contact the IGK Equestrian team — we're happy to help you select the right groomer for your arena.

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