

# HARPOON BREWERY

BOSTON, MA

*ADA Compliant Aluminum Walkway Provides Safe Public Tours at Harpoon Brewery*



## THE SITUATION

Harpoon Brewery began in 1986 when owners Rich and Dan, beer lovers, sought more quality beer choices. They received the first permit in 25 years issued by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to brew and package beer commercially. Without knowledge of what craft brewing would become they set out to introduce a local brew to Boston drinkers operating on the docks of South Boston where they still brew to this day. They maintain a spirit of fun and hope the joy of beer drinking resonates through their beer and breweries.

The Visitor Center now features Brewery tours and a Beer Hall and Store selling merchandise, beer, and growlers. For this project, they contacted their fabricator for ADA compliant walkways; SlipNOT® aluminum plate was recommended to provide slip resistant compliance for maximum safety.

## THE SOLUTION

Capone Iron Corporation took all of Harpoon Brewery's needs into consideration to design the most appropriate solution for this application by recommending SlipNOT® aluminum plate. Brewing safety is not just for the protection of the brewers but goes hand-in-hand with the quality of your finished liquid beverage. SlipNOT® products are 100% grit-free and will not flake off causing damage to machinery and end products, an ideal solution for food and beverage facility safety.

For this instance, SlipNOT® provided ten 3/8" x 4' x 8' aluminum plates, seven 3/8" x 4' x 12' aluminum plates, and eleven 3/8" x 5' x 12' aluminum plates in a Grade 2 mill finish. Capone Iron was committed to not only install aesthetically pleasing walkways for their customer, but also provide a permanent safety solution.

## THE IMPACT

A Project Manager from Capone Iron reported that the plates were ordered to be installed in the tour route platforms and catwalk areas. Harpoon Brewery now has custom platform designed to meet their needs and provide safe tours to the public through their facility. SlipNOT®'s coefficient of friction which is 0.85 or greater surpasses the of ADA recommendation of 0.6 for flat surfaces and 0.8 for ramps this project had both flat and inclined surfaces and all safety requirements were exceeded.

"Boston Brewery." Harpoon Brewery, n.d. Web. 08 Mar. 2013. <<http://www.harpoonbrewery.com/breweries/boston>>