



## Points to keep in mind when choosing Interior Seating fabrics.

The majority of fabric is produced on high-speed two-faced or face to face looms, and is commonly referred to as a "cut fabric", this means you obtain two pieces of fabric from one production run, one piece being the mirror image of the other.

Should you choose non standard colors or designs or have a non reversible logo inserted (for example letters and words) then it would have to be produced on a single face loom and have minimum order requirements of 300 yards. On a new bus procurements there is usually not a problem meeting minimum order requirements, the problem comes when you need to buy fabric for maintenance etc., you don't not want to have to buy 300 yards of fabric at a time.

Striped designs are not normally recommended for the following reasons:-

1. Striped patterns are difficult to line up to make sure all the inserts look the same, this adds to the cost of maintenance as it takes more in time and labor when making changes in the field.
2. Usually more fabric is needed per insert as you have to line up the stripe in the center, this wastes material on either side of the center stripe.
3. This type of design can often require minimum order runs of 300 yards at a time, again this is not usually a problem on a new bus procurement, but it could be a big problem once the buses are in service, you would have to buy the minimum order just to replace a few seat cushion inserts if they got damaged.