

# BALTIMORE RAVENS' TRAINING FACILITY

BALTIMORE, MD

*Slip Resistant Round Ladder Rungs for Ravens' Under Armour Training Facility*



## THE SITUATION

Home of the Baltimore Ravens, the Under Armour Performance Center was re-named in 2012 after signing a ten-year agreement with the NFL team for their training facility. This 200,000 square foot training facility includes a strength training area, full-size indoor practice field as well as three outdoor fields, a full-service kitchen, basketball courts, TV studio, executive offices and more. As if that wasn't big enough, the organization released a plan in March 2016 to invest in a \$35 million major expansion increasing the buildings square footage by 2.8 million feet.

With the construction of such a massive building came high ceilings. Considering the height of the ladders leading to the roof, all safety measures should be taken to prevent any possible injury to the workers accessing the top of the structure. A Baltimore welding company contacted *SlipNOT*® to provide a slip-resistant surface to the ladders that stand roughly 80 feet tall.

## THE SOLUTION

*SlipNOT*®'s non-slip ladder rungs are a perfect solution when designing a new construction ladder, giving employees a sure footed surface even if made wet and slippery by outdoor elements. The welding company ordered (80) 3/4" dia. x 19 1/2" long aluminum round ladder rungs for one of their caged ladders accessing the roof of the training facility. *SlipNOT*® aluminum has a bond strength of at least 2,000 psi and an average peak to valley surface depth of 0.020" - 0.025".

## THE IMPACT

According to the University of Missouri, accidents involving ladders cause an estimated 300 deaths and 130,000 injuries requiring emergency medical attention each year in the U.S. alone. The Raven's made the correct decision to go with *SlipNOT*®'s aluminum ladder rungs because they are lightweight, corrosion resistant, and exceed OSHA's standard. *SlipNOT*®'s ladder rungs are available in steel, aluminum, and stainless steel making it easy to find the perfect product fit for every company. Investing in a non-slip solution from *SlipNOT*® will ensure trusted and long-lasting quality, protecting a company's most important asset; their employees.

Portable Ladder Safety. (n.d.). Retrieved June 28, 2016, from <http://extension.missouri.edu/p/G1932>