Use this flowchart to determine which foam best suits your cushion application.

**WHICH FOAM SHOULD I USE?**

**START HERE**

- **Will the foam be used in a marine or home environment?**
  - **Marine Interior**
  - **Outdoor Cushions**
  - ** Indoor Upholstery**

  - **Will your cushions be brought inside or covered at night and during inclement weather or left outside all of the time?**
    - **Outside all of the time**
    - **Brought inside or covered**

  - **Will the foam be used on the interior or exterior of your boat?**
    - **Yes**
    - **No**

  - **Will the foam be used as a mattress?**
    - **Yes**
    - **No**

  - **Will your cushions stay mostly dry or frequently get wet?**
    - **Cushions will stay mostly dry**
    - **Cushions will frequently get wet**

  - **High Density Polyurethane Foam***
    - An excellent choice for high-traffic applications like upholstered furniture and cushions. The density of this foam will keep its shape for years to come and is ideal for marine applications. It is available at Sailrite.com

  - **Dry Fast Open Cell Antimicrobial Foam**
    - Open cell (reticulated) foam has open pores that allow water and air to pass through easily. As a result, outdoor cushions do not retain water and indoor bedding feels much cooler. Cover with an outdoor fabric or mesh for a virtually maintenance-free foam in sun, rain and snow. Formulated with an antibacterial agent so mold and mildew will not grow.

  - **Closed Cell Foam**
    - 3X more firm than Polyurethane foam. Ensolite Closed Cell PVC foam does not absorb moisture and resists weather aging and mechanical abrasion. No combustion support (passes federal motor vehicle safety standard 302).

  - **Poly-Fil Nu-Foam**
    - A great foam alternative!

  - **Medium Density Polyurethane Antimicrobial Foam**
    - Widely used by OEM boat builders, this foam features a biocide antibacterial agent that prevents mold and mildew growth. Dries in 48 hours to moisture protection.

  - **High Density Polyurethane Foam**
    - An excellent choice for high-traffic applications such as upholstery and cushions. The density of this foam will keep its shape for years to come, even when used on a daily basis.

  - **Dry Fast Open Cell Antimicrobial Foam**
    - Open cell (reticulated) foam has open pores that, unlike polyurethane foam, allow water and air to pass through easily. As a result, outdoor cushions do not retain water and indoor bedding feels much cooler. Cover with an outdoor fabric or mesh for a virtually maintenance-free foam in sun, rain and snow. Formulated with an antibacterial agent so mold and mildew will not grow.

  - **Poly-Fil Nu-Foam**
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**All of these foams are available at Sailrite.com**

Ultimately, the choice is yours and which foam you think will best suit your needs. To learn more details about each type of foam mentioned here (and more) check out our "Comparing Types of Cushion Foam" post. You can also read more about important terms to know when researching foam in our "5 Important Foam Terms to Know" post.

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*Some High Density Polyurethane Foam is antimicrobial. Refer to product pages for more information.*

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