



TESTING SERVICES

LABORATORY TEST SUMMARY

Report # 80994-01
Lab Test Number: 3192-3342
Report Date: August 7, 2020

Product Testing

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TEST MATERIAL:

Date Material Received:	April 14, 2020
Material Type:	Synthetic Turf
Material Condition:	Excellent, New
Material ID:	Elite Optimum Flow Turf Rolls

TESTING METHODS REQUESTED:

Testing Services Inc. was instructed by the client to test for the following...		
Standard:	ASTM D5848	Test Method: Standard Test Method for Mass per Unit Area of Pile Yam Floorcoverings
Standard:	ASTM D1335	Test Method: Standard Test Method for Tuft Bind Strength of Pile Yam Floorcoverings
Standard:	ASTM F2765	Test Method: Standard Specification for Total Lead Content in Synthetic Turf Fibers
Standard:	ASTM D2859	Test Method: Standard Test Method for Ignition Characteristics of Finished Textile Pile Yam Floorcoverings
Standard:	ASTM F1551	Test Method: Standard Test Methods for Comprehensive Characterization of Synthetic Turf Playing Surfaces and Materials: Suffix-DIN 18-035, Part 6: Water Permeability of Synthetic Turf Systems and Permeable Bases
Standard:	ASTM G154	Test Method: Standard Practice for Operating Fluorescent Light Apparatus for UV Exposure of Non-Metallic Material

SAMPLING PLAN:

Sampling Date:	4/14/2020
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DEVIATION FROM TEST METHODS:

State reason for any Deviation from, Additions to, or Exclusions From Test Method.	
None	

TEST SUMMARY:

Test Method	Test Description	Test Results	
ASTM D5848-20	Total Product Weight	99.54 oz/yd ²	
ASTM D5848-20	Pile Yam Weight	69.68 oz/yd ²	
ASTM D1335-17e1	Average Tuft Bind Strength	10.5 lbs/force	
ASTM F2765-14	Total Lead Content – Fibers only	<0.5 mg/Kg	
¹ ASTM D2859-16	¹ Pill Flammability	8 out of 8 Pass	Meets 16CFR 1630 (FF 1-70)
¹ ASTM F1551-09; Suffix 30	Water Permeability	204.8 inches/hour	
² ASTM G154-16	QUV Accelerated Weathering – 2000 hours – Fibers only	Color: 9	Texture: 10

¹Performance testing completed with 16 grit sand supplied by the client, to ¾" exposed tuft

²Ratings per guidelines provided by Q Labs; Ratings are on a grade scale of 1 – 10; 10 = Negligible or No Effect, 9 = Very slight

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Standard:	ASTM D5848	Test Method:	Standard Test Method for Mass Per Unit Area of Pile Yam Floorcoverings

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ASTM D2859 Ignition Characteristics- Pill Flammability

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Material Type:	Synthetic Turf
Material Condition:	Excellent, New
Material ID:	Elite Optimum Flow Turf Rolls
Infill:	16 Grit Sand, to 3/4" exposed tuft

TESTING METHODS REQUESTED:

<i>Testing Services Inc. was instructed by the client to test for the following...</i>	
Standard:	ASTM D2859
Test Method:	Standard Test Method for Ignition Characteristics of Finished Textile Pile Yarn Floorcoverings

SAMPLING PLAN:

Sampling Date:	4/14/2020
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DEVIATION FROM TEST METHOD:

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Specimens were not exposed to air circulating oven.

TEST SCOPE:

This test method provides a method of determining the flammability characteristics of textile products when exposed to an ignition source in a laboratory environment. Eight specimens were taken from the sample lot, 230mm X 230mm, and preconditioned in an air circulating oven @ 150°C for 2 hours. After removal from the oven, the specimens are placed into a desiccator for 1 hour prior to performing the test. Each specimen was then placed into the test chamber floor with the pile surface up and a steel frame, 230mm X 230mm with 200mm diameter hole, placed on top of the specimen. A methenamine tablet was placed centrally onto the pile surface. The pill was ignited using a lighted match, with the ignition flame and propagated flame allowed to self-extinguish.

CRITERIA:

The specimen passes, if the charred portion of the test specimen, did not extend to within 25mm (1") of the diameter hole of the steel frame. The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission requires that at least seven of the eight specimens pass the test for acceptance as meeting the standard.

TEST SUMMARY:

TEST METHOD	TEST DESCRIPTION	TEST RESULT	
ASTM D2859-16	Ignition Characteristics of Textile Floor Coverings (Pill Test)	8 out of 8 Pass	Passes, U.S. CPSC 16CFR 1630 (FF1-70), Carpets & Rugs

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ASTM F1551, DIN 18-035 Part 6; Water Permeability

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Infill:	16 Grit Sand, to 3/4" exposed tuft

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<i>Testing Services Inc. was instructed by the client to test for the following...</i>	
Standard:	ASTM F1551
Test Method:	Standard Test Methods for Comprehensive Characterization of Synthetic Turf Playing Surfaces and Materials: Suffix-DIN 18-035, Part 6: Water Permeability of Synthetic Turf Systems and Permeable Bases

SAMPLING PLAN:

Sampling Date:	4/14/2020
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None	

PROCEDURE:

This test method determines the rainfall drainage capacity (permeability) of the playing surface. Test data values represent drainage rates vertically thru the turf with infill listed above, and do not take into account the percolation properties of a pad and/or an underlying sub base. Three specimens, 11.5" diameter, were cut from the 15' turf roll, side-center-side manner. Each turf specimen was securely fastened to the permeability tube using mechanical flanges, ensuring vertical water flow thru the product. Water was pumped into the tube faster than could exit, until the water level reached 6". The water source was shut off, allowing the accumulated 6" water level to recede. The recede was timed via stopwatch until the water level exited the turf. The flow time was recorded in seconds. This procedure was repeated a total of 4 times where, the first pass was for conditioning, with passes 2,3,4 used for averaging. This process was repeated on the remaining specimens.

TEST SUMMARY:

Specimen #	Drainage (Seconds)	gall/min/lyd ²	Rainfall Capacity (inches/hour)
1	46.9	43.1	132.2
2	24.9	81.1	248.9
3	26.6	76.0	233.3
Average			204.8 inches/hour

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<i>Testing Services Inc. was instructed by the client to test for the following...</i>			
Standard:	ASTM G154	Test Method:	Standard Practice for Operating Fluorescent Light Apparatus for UV Exposure of Non-Metallic Material

SAMPLING PLAN:

Sampling Date:	4/14/2020
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None

TEST SUMMARY:

TEST METHOD	TEST DESCRIPTION	TEST RESULTS			
		500 Hours Exposure	1000 Hours Exposure	1500 Hours Exposure	2000 Hours Exposure
ASTM G154-16	QUV Accelerated Weathering	Color: 10 Texture: 10	Color: 10 Texture: 10	Color: 9 Texture: 10	Color: 9 Texture: 10

Change Rating: 10: Negligible or No Effect
 9: Very Slight
 8: Slight
 6: Moderate
 4: Pronounced
 2: Severe
 0: Very Severe

Test Equipment: QUV/se
 UVA-340 lamps, 0.77 W/m²
 16 hours UV light @ 60°C
 8 hours condensation @ 50°C
 Light Cycle: Continuous

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TESTING METHODS REQUESTED:

Testing Services, Inc was instructed by the client to perform the following testing:			
Standard:	FIFA Section 17	Test Method:	Procedure for Simulated Mechanical Abrasion
Standard:	EN 15336	Test Method:	Surface for Sports Area, Exposure for Synthetic Turf to Simulated Wear (LiSport)

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TEST EQUIPMENT:

Wear Tester:	Deltec Manual 1.2m LiSport
Model #:	Y2017 1701003
Date of Mfg:	1/2017
Dimensions:	3070mm X 1300mm

PRINCIPLE:

This procedure simulates high levels of athletic use of the synthetic turf in an accelerated period of time under laboratory conditions. Two studded rollers were traversed to and fro over the infilled turf to produce mechanical action of the surface that occurs during normal use. This report details the effects of this mechanical action as it relates to degradation of the pile fiber.

The client, Artificial Grass Liquidators, commissioned TS to evaluate simulated wear of submitted finished synthetic turf, referenced above, with the use of an infill system.

The results are indicative of mechanical wear only and do not take into account the effects of weathering, uv degradation, or use of the turf outside of competition.

PROCEDURE:

A test specimen, 560mm X 2438mm, was cut from the sample lot to be exposed to mechanical abrasion. The specimen was infilled with above listed infill. The rollers were positioned onto the surface of the system, with the pressure set automatically @ 1kg per cm. All speeds of the machine components were set in accordance with FIFA & CEN standards. The design of the machine ensures that the studs do not repeatedly impact the same spots.

The Lisport was activated for 1,000 cycles. At the end of the 1,000 cycles the pile fiber degradation was graded, a photo and fiber sample were taken.

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Infill:	16 Grit Sand, to 3/4" exposed tuft
Measured Tuft Height:	51mm
Average Infill Depth:	32mm
Exposed Tuft Above Infill:	19mm

TEST RESULTS:

- > A scale of 1 to 5 was used for descriptive evaluation of the pile fibers due to the effect of mechanical wear (Lisport) at each 1,000 cycle interval.
- > The following is an explanation of the scale:

Rating	Description
1.0	None or Negligible
2.0	Slight
3.0	Moderate
4.0	Considerable
5.0	Severe

- > The following was rated using the referenced rating scale: tuft loss, pile flattening, fiber splitting, and infill dispersion.

# of Cycles	Infill Dispersion	Tuft Loss	Pile Flattening	Fiber Splitting
1,000	1.0	1.0	2.5	1.0

CONCLUSION:

Photographs of the overall view of the fibers are provided in the following appendixes.

Infill dispersion, tuft loss and fiber splitting was negligible for the entire test duration.
 Pile flattening was very moderate.

APPENDIX A: Camera and Microscopic View of Fibers

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