

SPORTS FLOORING FOR EDUCATION

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Taraflex™ the perfect choice for private schools.



Gerflor innovation at the forefront

Gerflor's continual investment in research and development has earned us our reputation for Innovation. More importantly it has kept our products at the cutting edge for activity, multi-use and sports flooring. Gerflor are now the only company to provide a complete range of flooring from safe activity flooring to elite sports performance floors. Floors that provide

a safe environment for the youngest users to floors that have been fitted at every Olympic games since 1976. More than 60 million square metres have been laid world wide and over six million children play on Taraflex™ flooring everyday.

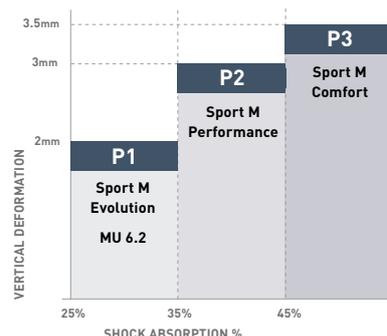


"We had used Taraflex™ flooring previously and on this particular project we had certain technical obstacles to overcome, namely a damp sub-floor which was unexplained. Gerflor presented a number of technical solutions with Sport Performance Dry-Tex™ providing the necessary reassurance that the problem would be overcome. Taraflex™ Sport Performance was an obvious choice due to our need to play a broad range of sports at a good level, including indoor cricket nets. The floor has performed excellently and our users are more than happy with the playing experience."

Tim Ostle, Commercial Director, Queens Sports Centre, Charterhouse School, Surrey.

Multi-sport flooring

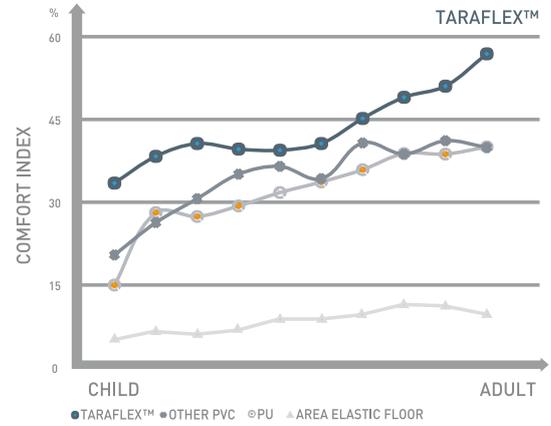
Gerflor have a range of multi-use flooring which are ideal for colleges and universities. They provide shock and impact protection for various sports and activities, reducing injury from bumps and falls but when those times are over and the area needs to be used for teaching or other uses, the floor will perform like any vinyl floor. Gerflor floors are hygienic, easy to clean, hard wearing and easy to maintain.





Comfort

Once a subjective matter the level of comfort can now be measured thanks to revolutionary Independent studies by one of France's leading Universities. The conclusion saw Taraflex™ offering the highest level of comfort for users with comfort relating directly to protecting the children. With discomfort being the main reason for non-enjoyment of sport and exercise, Taraflex™ floors assist more than any other floor to ensure that people enjoy their experience of exercising safely. Yet again Gerflor's continued strive for improvement mean that floors continue to protect the youngest users of the floor whilst also aiding elite sportsmen and women.



Safety

Taraflex™ floors can help reduce repetitive impact injuries. The innovative composition of the floor also ensures user safety when deliberately diving or accidentally falling.

Taraflex™ flooring uses patented ProtecSol® surface treatment that is unique to Gerflor. Some of its key benefits include:

- A skin-burn free surface, when you slide across some floors the heat builds up and can give grazes or burns, ProtecSol® reduces the friction temperature by 25% thus minimizing the risk of friction burns.
- ProtecSol® is described as an intelligent surface: it forms the ideal compromise between slide and grip for sport shoes. The floor provides safe grip but allows the foot to move freely as they rotate reducing twist and jarring injury.



Maintenance

With Maintenance costs over the life of materials far outweighing the initial cost, Gerflor recognise the importance of minimising ongoing costs and disruption to facilities. Unlike more traditional sports floors, the Taraflex™ surface treatment, ProtecSol® eliminates the need for heavy duty maintenance with no resealing or re-applying treatments. Cleaning becomes less of a burden on a facility's resources with a dry sweep being the best form of maintenance.

Abingdon Preparatory School in Oxfordshire needed a sports floor on which their children and young adults could indulge in their sporting activities safely. They specified Taraflex™ Sport M Performance which is ideally suited to all of their indoor sporting requirements. Andrew Hall, Director of Sport, said they are delighted to have the best performance flooring, as well as mentioning how good the floor looks and how easy it is to clean.



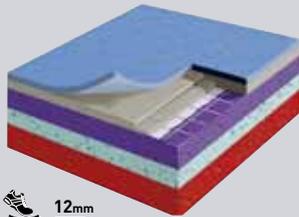
Refurbishment solutions

Gerflor have a range of solutions which are ideal for refurbishment projects: The Free floating Eco-Fit™ system is simple, quick and eco-friendly. Installations have low VOC emissions with 80% less adhesive being used than a standard installation. This installation method reduces the on the floor cost of the project.

Eco-Fit™ is ideal for any renovation work where there is no risk of damp rising. Where sub floors have an increased moisture content Dry-TEX™ saves time and money. No waiting for moisture levels to reduce, no need for additional barriers and unbeatable bond strength saves labour time and material costs.

Dry-Tex™ SYSTEM
Eco-Fit™ SYSTEM

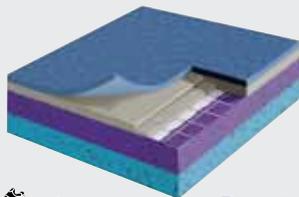
Taraflex™ Point Elastic Flooring



Taraflex™ Sport M Comfort (P3)

Maximum comfort and safety!

- ▶ The first Taraflex™ sports floor in the **P3 category** (>45% of shock absorption)
- ▶ Suited to all levels and all sports
- ▶ Vertical deformation **≤3.5mm**
- ▶ Equivalent to area elastic and wooden sprung floors, but 30% cheaper

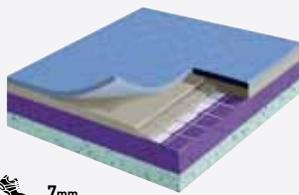


Dry-Tex
Eco-Fit

Taraflex™ Sport M Performance (P2)

Comfort and performance combined!

- ▶ The best compromise of comfort and safety for all levels and all users
- ▶ **P2 category** (35% to 45% of shock absorption)
- ▶ Vertical deformation **≤3.0mm**
- ▶ High abrasion resistance **three times greater** than that required by the Standard



Dry-Tex

Taraflex™ Sport M Evolution (P1)

Sport for all!

- ▶ Levels of comfort and safety suited for all types of sports and leisure activities
- ▶ **P1 category** (25% to 35% of shock absorption)
- ▶ Vertical deformation **≤2.0mm**
- ▶ High abrasion resistance **three times greater** than that required by the Standard

Eco-Fit™
S Y S T E M
for Refurbishment projects

Eco-Fit™ free floating installation system for dry surfaces.

- ▶ **Saves time & money** - can be laid over most existing flooring
- ▶ **Long lasting** - ease of repair during the material's life
- ▶ **Lowest life-cycle cost** - end of life material recycling is easy

The secrets of Taraflex™

1 Protecsol®

A surface treatment with the unique and patented triple action Protecsol®, offers three key benefits:

- An 'intelligent' surface treatment, forming the ideal compromise between slide and grip for sports shoes
- A skin-burn free surface
- Cost effective and easy to maintain

2 D-Max+™

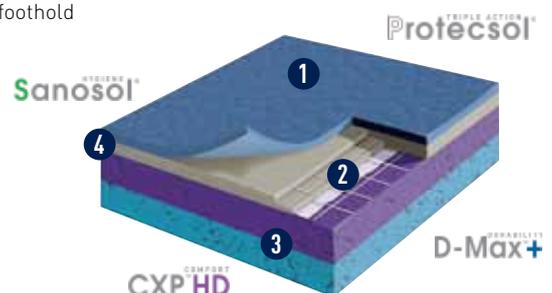
A compound surface complex, made up of calendared PVC sheets, is now reinforced with two fibreglass grids, providing an outstanding dimensional stability for free-floating installations using the Eco-Fit™ System. Indentation resistance is also improved by 35% to increase the range of floor usage.

3 CXP™ HD

- The light and elastic foam of the lower layer compresses totally in order to ensure comfort and safety.
- The VHD foam of the upper layer remains firm, making the deformation trough around the foot two times larger for higher freedom of movement in rotation and secure foothold to minimize the injury risk.

4 Sanosol®

Applied in the factory during manufacture, the Sanosol® treatment provides lasting protection for the materials against bacteria and mould.



Taraflex™ is approved by national governing bodies.



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