

SECTOR: SPORT
CLIENT: GILLINGHAM LEISURE CENTRE
SOLUTION: TARAFLEX™ SPORT M EVOLUTION



Gerflor scores with an outstanding sports floor!

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Introduction

The Three Rivers Partnership approached Gerflor for help during a major refurbishment of a sports hall at the Rivers Meet Centre in Gillingham, Dorset, keen to replace an aging composite woodblock floor with flooring that meets the latest standards of comfort and safety. As a result, Taraflex™ Sport M Evolution was installed to provide an affordable, effective and easily maintained surface for a wide variety of activities.

Gerflor and Gillingham Leisure Centre

The sports hall at the Rivers Meet Centre is large enough to accommodate four badminton courts and is adjacent to the newly built 25-metre competition standard swimming pool. Originally run by North Dorset District Council, the site was subject to a £4 million redevelopment by the Gillingham Community & Leisure Trust and now benefits the local community in and around the market towns of Gillingham, Shaftesbury and Mere.

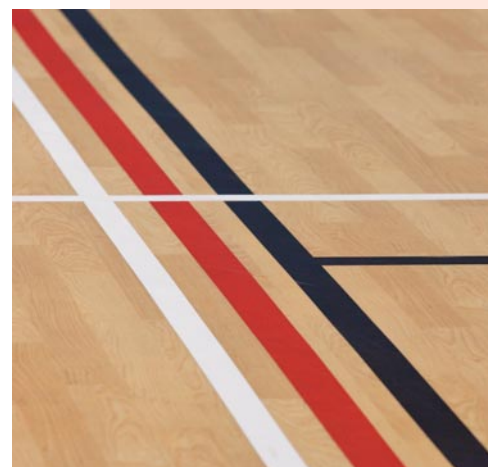
The Taraflex™ Sport M Evolution

As the sports hall is used for a range of activities, including five-a-side football, basketball, badminton, hockey, netball and karate, Gerflor's Taraflex™ Sports M Evolution was a natural choice as it is ideal for multi-activity and multi-sports halls. Providing both safety and comfort, the flooring offers shock absorption of 32% and is fully compliant with EN 14904 standard for indoor sports floors while being available in 17 colourways and two wood designs.

Before installing Taraflex™ in the sports hall, the original 'Granwood' surface was sanded back and bare areas of concrete leveled with screed. The new flooring was applied directly to this using Gerflor's Dry-Tex™ system. This is ideal where the subfloor is potentially damp as there is no need to wait for the floor to dry out and it may be laid without additional moisture barriers.

Testimonials

John Havill, the chair of Trustees, comments: "The Taraflex™ flooring has been brilliant and we're thrilled to bits with it. Gerflor assisted in the project management of the scheme and everybody seems to be very happy with the flooring because it's such a nice playing surface. Eighteen months on, we've subjected the floor to some fairly testing usage and it's giving absolutely excellent service."



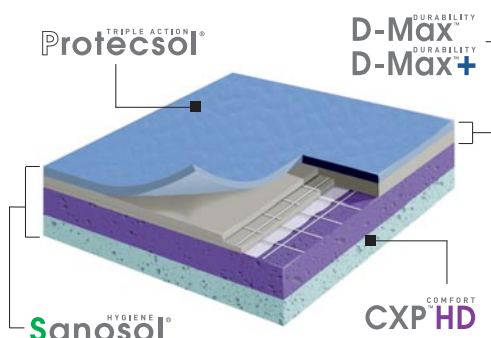


Technical Properties

Product Description	Taraflex™ Sport M Evolution
Surface treatment	Triple-Action ProtecSol®
Surface complex	D-Max™ / D-Max+™
Foam backing	Double Density CXP HD™
Thickness EN 428	7.0mm
Weight EN 430	4.6kg/m²
Length EN 426	29m Max
Width EN 426	1.5m
Sports Characteristics	
Shock Absorption EN 14808	P1
Vertical Deformation EN 14809	≤2mm
Energy Return NF P 90 203	≥3.1m/s
Sliding Coefficient EN 13036-4	80 to 110
Ball Bounce EN 12235	≥90%
Ball Speed (Pace) UEFA	-
Ball Speed NF EN 13865 ITF	-
Technical Characteristics	
Abrasion Resistance EN ISO 5470-1	≤350mg
Impact Resistance EN 1517	≥8N/m
Indentation Resistance EN 1516	≤0.5mm
Classification	
Fire EN 13501-1	Cfls1
Anti-bacterial & fungicidal treatment	Sanosol®



For full specification details please contact us by phone, fax, email



- P1 category: 25 to 35% shock absorption

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