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SATRA Ref: FLO0204219/1220/

Report Date: 13 June 2012

Samples received: 6 June 2012

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## TECHNICAL SERVICES REPORT

Subject: Testing of one sample described by the customer as 'EvoWalk' to BS 7976-2:2002  
Your reference:

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Report signed by: Jonathan Lund  
Position: Flooring Technologist  
Department: Flooring

## TESTING OF ONE SAMPLE DESCRIBED BY THE CUSTOMER AS 'EVOWALK' TO BS 7976-2:2002

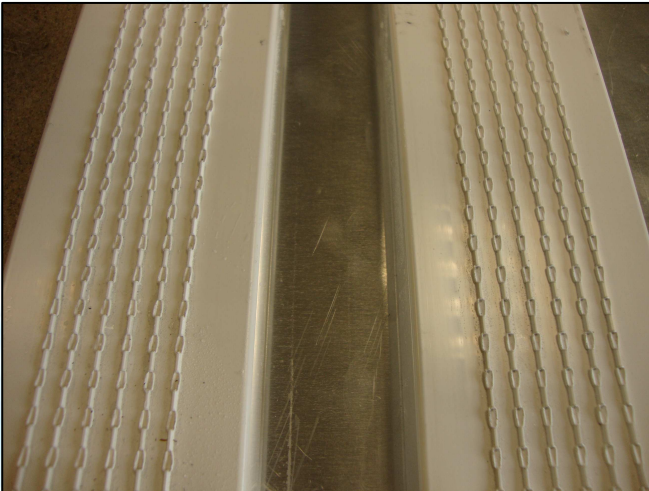
As requested by AKM Fabrications Ltd, SATRA has conducted an assessment of the slip resistance of a sample of flooring as detailed below

### CONCLUSION

The sample referenced "EvoWalk" has demonstrated a low slip potential under both dry and wet test conditions, when tested using BS 7976-2: 2002 and assessed in accordance with the UK Slip Resistance Group guidelines, Issue 4: 2011.

### SAMPLE SUBMITTED

Sample Reference: 'EvoWalk' <sup>(1)</sup>  
Appearance:



Date received: 6<sup>th</sup> June 2012  
Conditioning commenced: 6<sup>th</sup> June 2012  
Testing commenced: 13<sup>th</sup> June 2012  
Testing completed: 13<sup>th</sup> June 2012  
Testing conducted by: Phil Weal.

### TESTS CARRIED OUT

- BS 7976-2: 2002 Pendulum Testers, method of operation <sup>(2)</sup>

Note(s):

(1) Information supplied by customer. Not verified by SATRA.

(2) Results have been assessed in accordance with the UK Slip Resistance Group Guidelines – Issue 4: 2011

(3) The surface roughness values have been taken from different areas on the specimens

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## RESULTS

**Table 1. BS 7976-2: 2002 Pendulum Testers, method of operation (Using Slider 96)**

Sample	Condition	Direction of Test			Overall average slip measurement (PTV's)
		A	B	C	
'EvoWalk'	Dry	62	45	54	<b>54</b>
	Wet (water)	40	39	41	<b>40</b>

### Direction of Test



**Table 2. Surface Roughness measurements (Rz) <sup>(3)</sup>**

Roughness measurement	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Ave
RZ value	58.0	8.8	30.6	52.8	6.5	33.7	7.3	72.1	26.6	9.2	<b>30.6</b>

## COMMENTS

### BS 7976-2: 2002 (Slip Resistance)

The method of test is intended to assess the potential of slipping for people walking on a flooring material. A pendulum attached to a spring loaded foot fitted with a standard rubber slider referenced Slider 96 (formally known as Four S Rubber) is allowed to swing so the slider contacts a dry or wet test flooring over a set distance. The extent to which the pendulum fails to reach its release height on the overswing is determined as a measurement of the slip resistance. The procedure is carried out in three directions, in one principle direction, at 90° to this and at 45° to the principle direction.

The following table contains guidelines recommended by the UK Slip resistance group – Issue 4 2011.

**Table 3. UK Slip Resistance Group Guidelines.**

Slip potential	PTV
High slip potential	0-24
Moderate slip potential	25-35
Low slip potential	36+

## Surface Roughness Measurements (Rz)

During the assessment the surface roughness meter (Surtronic 3+) travelled across the surface of the floor covering at ten different areas. The surface roughness meter travels over a 4mm distance and measures the maximum trough to peak height in five 0.8 mm sections (rt1 to rt5); with the Rz roughness is the average of the 5 rt values.

The values achieved for surface roughness would suggest that the floor covering submitted for testing has a low slip potential in the wet conditions, as detailed in table 4 below.

**Table 4. Surface Roughness Criterion. These values apply to water wet situations.**

Slip potential	Rz value
High slip potential	Below 10 $\mu\text{m}$
Moderate slip potential	10 - 20 $\mu\text{m}$
Low slip potential	20 + $\mu\text{m}$

It is important to understand that the measurements undertaken should not be taken in isolation and that the pendulum test results take precedence when assessing slip potential.

*'In any complaint involving slip, the floor surface, the footwear and other environmental factors will all have an important bearing on slip resistance. It will be impossible to make either footwear or floorings slip resistant under all conditions which may be encountered in wear'.*



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