

SLIP RESISTANCE TESTING OF WOODEN FLOORING

As requested we have conducted an analysis of the Pendulum Slip Value of the 22 mm wood flooring submitted with various surface lacquers, as detailed below

SAMPLES SUBMITTED

Reference: Beech flooring samples.
 No. 1 - with 1 coat of Junckers High Performance seal
 No. 2 - with 1 coat of Junckers IsoLacquer and Friction Plus
 No. 3 - with 1 coat of Junckers High Performance seal with anti slip medium 60 *
 No. 4 - with 1 coat of Junckers High Performance seal with anti slip high 90

Description: Engineered timber (beech) flooring planks.
 Intended application: Internal residential flooring
 Date received: 19th April 2007
 Conditioning commenced: 20th April 2007
 Testing commenced: 23rd April 2007
 Testing completed: 26th April 2007
 Testing conducted by: S Braithwaite, D Smith

TESTS CARRIED OUT

- TM2002:1999 Slip Resistance of Floorings – Pendulum Method * (equivalent to BS 7976-2: 2002)
- Surface Roughness measurements¹ (Rz)*

* The results have been assessed against In accordance with UK Slip resistance group guidelines – Issue 3: November 2005

RESULTS

TM 202:1999 Slip Resistance of Floorings – Pendulum Method,

Sample No. 1 - 1 coat of Junckers High Performance seal

Sample	Condition	Direction of Test			Overall average slip measurement (PTV's)
		A	B	C	
No. 1	Dry	78	77	76	77
	Wet (water)	13	12	11	12

For a complete set of test measurements see Annex A

Sample No. 2 - 1 coat of Junckers IsoLacquer and Friction Plus

Sample	Condition	Direction of Test			Overall average slip measurement (PTV's)
		A	B	C	
No. 2	Dry	69	67	66	67
	Wet (water)	14	22	18	18

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For a complete set of test measurements see Annex A

Sample No. 3 - 1 coat of Junckers High Performance seal with anti slip medium 60

Sample	Condition	Direction of Test			Overall average slip measurement (PTV's)
		A	B	C	
No. 3	Dry	65	65	63	64
	Wet (water)	50	53	48	50

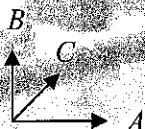
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Sample No. 4 - 1 coat of Junckers High Performance seal with anti slip high 90

Sample	Condition	Direction of Test			Overall average slip measurement (PTV's)
		A	B	C	
No. 4	Dry	64	64	62	63
	Wet (water)	49	48	47	48

For a complete set of test measurements see Annex A

Direction of Test



Surface Roughness measurements (Rz)

Sample No. 1

Sample	Roughness measurement	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Average
1	RZ Value	3.6	3.8	7.4	12.6	2.1	2.1	3.6	2.1	3.2	2.9	4.13
2		5.3	3.8	5.6	5.1	4.5	5.4	4.3	4.2	4.1	4.0	4.63
3		25.9	17.6	<300 ^[1]	18.4	24.4	28.9	18.8	20.1	20.2	25.2	22.17
4		<300	<300	<300	<300	<300	16.8 ^[1]	<300	<300	27.0 ^[1]	<300	<300

[1] Result excluded as an outlier

Surface roughness criterion. These values apply to water wet situations.

Slip potential	Rz value
High slip potential	Below 10 μm
Moderate slip potential	10 - 20 μm
Low slip potential	20 + μm

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COMMENTS

TM 202: 1999 Pendulum Test

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 Four S rubber slider is allowed to swing so the slider contacts a wet or dry 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.

When assessed in accordance with the guidelines stipulated in the UK Slip Resistance Group Guidelines – Issue 3: November 2005 all of the samples supplied and tested have demonstrated a low potential for slip under dry test when tested using the Pendulum Method TM2002:1999 (BS 7976-2: 2002).

UK Slip resistance group guidelines.

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

Sample numbers 3 (coated with Junckers High Performance seal with anti slip medium 60) and 4 (coated with Junckers High Performance seal with anti slip high 90) have demonstrated a low potential of slip when tested under the wet conditions.

Samples number 1 and 2 (coated with Junckers High Performance seal & Junckers IsoLacquer and Friction Plus respectively) demonstrated a high potential of slip under wet conditions.

Surface Roughness measurements

During the assessment the surface roughness meter travelled across the surface of the floor covering at ten different areas. The surface roughness meter travels over a 4mm distance and takes measurements at 0.8mm intervals, with the Rz roughness being the average height from trough to peak over this distance.

The surface roughness measurements obtained from sample numbers 1 and 2 indicate that they have a high slip potential under water wet conditions.

The measurements made on samples 3 and 4 show them to have a low slip potential under wet conditions.

CONCLUSIONS

When assessed according to UK Slip Resistance Group guidelines: Issue 3 November 2005, based on the pendulum test TM2002:1999 (BS 7976-2) the sample coated with Junckers High Performance seal with anti slip medium 60, and that with a coat of Junckers High Performance seal with anti slip high 90, each demonstrated a low potential for slip under both wet and dry conditions.

The sample coated with Junckers High Performance seal and the sample with a coat of Junckers IsoLacquer and Friction Plus, each have a low potential for slip under dry conditions and a high potential for slip under wet conditions when assessed according to UK Slip Resistance Group guidelines. These two samples are therefore, not suitable for use where there is a risk of water spillages.

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On behalf of SATRA Technology Centre Ltd

Annex A

TM202:1999 Slip Resistance of Floorings – Pendulum Method, Sample No. 1

Test Conditions		Data/Readings						Average	Slip Potential
Dry	A	80	79	78	77	77	78	77	Low
	B	79	77	77	76	75	77		
	C	77	76	76	76	74	76		
Wet	A	13	13	13	12	12	13	12	High
	B	12	12	12	12	12	12		
	C	11	11	11	11	11	11		

TM202:1999 Slip Resistance of Floorings – Pendulum Method, Sample No. 2

Test Conditions		Data/Readings						Average	Slip Potential
Dry	A	72	70	68	67	67	69	67	Low
	B	68	67	67	66	65	67		
	C	67	67	66	66	66	66		
Wet	A	15	14	14	13	12	14	18	High
	B	23	23	22	22	22	22		
	C	19	19	18	18	18	18		

TM202:1999 Slip Resistance of Floorings – Pendulum Method, Sample No. 3

Test Conditions		Data/Readings						Average	Slip Potential
Dry	A	67	66	64	63	63	65	64	Low
	B	67	66	64	63	63	65		
	C	65	64	63	63	62	63		
Wet	A	50	50	50	49	49	50	50	Low
	B	53	53	53	53	53	53		
	C	48	48	48	48	48	48		

TM202:1999 Slip Resistance of Floorings – Pendulum Method, Sample No. 4

Test Conditions		Data/Readings						Average	Slip Potential
Dry	A	64	65	64	63	63	64	63	Low
	B	66	65	63	63	62	64		
	C	63	63	62	62	62	62		
Wet	A	51	50	49	49	48	49	48	Low
	B	48	48	47	48	47	48		
	C	48	47	47	47	47	47		

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to confirm that the following methods of test are the same.

TRRL Pendulum Test
BS 7976-2 Pendulum – Method of Operation
SATRA TM202 Pendulum Test

These are all the same method of test and all utilize a pendulum test device built in accordance with BS 7976-1.

It is important that the correct slider is applied to look at shod conditions. In the case of airports then Slider 96 could be applied in retail and concourse application to represent shod conditions.

In the case of the report conducted on 22 mm Beech flooring with 1 coat of Junckers High Performance seal with anti slip medium 60 for Junckers Ltd (FLO 0150863-0716) testing was conducted using calibrated Slider 96 (Four S rubber) in accordance with the requirements stipulated by the UK Slip Resistance Group – Issue 3 – November 2005.

These are the guidelines applied by the Health & Safety Laboratory and are in accordance with the requirements of BAA Standard – Floors Issue 5 – March 2006 Section 1.2.

I would be happy to discuss this in more details with any persons concerned. I can be contacted with the following:

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