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TECHNICAL SERVICES REPORT

Subject: Testing of two samples referenced 'Anti Static Tile' and 'ESD Tile' to BS EN 1081: 1998 Resilient floor coverings - Determination of electrical resistance,
Your reference:

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TESTING OF TWO SAMPLES REFERENCED 'ANTI STATIC TILE' AND 'ESD TILE' TO BS EN 1081: 1998 RESILIENT FLOOR COVERINGS - DETERMINATION OF ELECTRICAL RESISTANCE, METHOD A.

As requested by Ecotile LLP, we have assessed the floor covering submitted for electrical resistance, as detailed below:

SUMMARY

With regard to the sample referenced 'Anti Static Tile Smooth Textured Interlock Floor Tile' submitted for determination of electrical resistance, the sample has achieved an average vertical resistance of $0.15 \times 10^9 \Omega$, therefore satisfying the requirements set out in BS EN 14041: 2004 to be classed as a conductive floor covering – in terms of vertical resistance.

The following symbol (BS EN 1081: 1998) can therefore be applied:



BS EN 1081:1998 Electrical resistance

With regard to the sample referenced 'ESD Tile Smooth Textured Interlock Floor Tile' submitted for determination of electrical resistance, the sample has achieved an average vertical resistance of $1.8 \times 10^3 \Omega$, therefore satisfying the requirements set out in BS EN 14041: 2004 to be classed as a static dissipative floor covering – in terms of vertical resistance.

The following symbol (BS EN 1081: 1998) can therefore be applied:



BS EN 1081:1998 Electrical resistance

SAMPLE SUBMITTED

Sample references: 'Anti Static Tile Smooth Textured Floor Tile' and 'ESD Tile Smooth Textured Floor Tile'

Appearance:



Anti Static Tile Smooth Textured Floor Tile



ESD Tile Smooth Textured Floor Tile

Intended application: Contract / Commercial use
Date received: 9th February 2011
Date conditioned: 14th February 2011
Testing commenced: 4th March 2011
Testing completed: 11th March 2011
Testing conducted by: Mandy De Wet, Phil Weal.

TESTS CARRIED OUT

- BS EN 1081: 1998 Resilient floor coverings – Determination of electrical resistance, Method A ⁽¹⁾

Notes:

(1)- *The results have been assessed in accordance with BS EN 14041: 2004 Resilient, textile and laminate floor covering – Essential characteristics.*

RESULTS

Table 1. (BS EN 1081) Method A: Vertical Resistance Measurements.

Sample Reference	Test Method	EN 14041: 2004 Requirements	Average Results (Ω)
Anti Static Tile Smooth Textured Floor Tile	BS EN 1081	Static dissipative floor coverings $\leq 10^9 \Omega$	0.15×10^9
		Conductive floor coverings $\leq 10^6 \Omega$	

Table 1. (BS EN 1081) Method A: Vertical Resistance Measurements.

Sample Reference	Test Method	EN 14041: 2004 Requirements	Average Results (Ω)
ESD Tile Smooth Textured Floor Tile	BS EN 1081	Static dissipative floor coverings $\leq 10^9 \Omega$	1.8×10^3
		Conductive floor coverings $\leq 10^6 \Omega$	

COMMENTS

BS EN 1081: 1998, Resilient and textile floor coverings – Determination of electrical resistance

The test is intended to evaluate the electrical resistance of a floor covering under standard laboratory conditions. Prior to carrying out the testing the underside of the floor covering is coated in a graphite solution and allowed to dry in an oven for a minimum period of 96 hours.

The tests were conducted by placing the floor covering onto a metal plate and placing a tripod electrode with a minimum load exerting a force of 300N on to the surface of the floor covering. The resistance is measured between a surface tripod electrode and an electrode attached to the underside of the floor covering, using a defined voltage and resistance.

After 15 seconds a reading is taken, the tripod is then repositioned for a further measurement. Three test specimens are used during the assessment.

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