

TECHNICAL REPORT

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Testing Requirements

Testing of one product described by the customer as "Polysafe Stone fx PUR"
to EN 16165:2021 Annex C using slider 96 with $\neq$ RZ measurements.
Assessed in accordance with the $\neq$ UKSRG Guidelines Issue 5:2016.

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Report Signed by:

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Report Signatory

**TESTING OF ONE PRODUCT DESCRIBED BY THE CUSTOMER AS
"POLYSAFE STONE FX PUR" TO EN 16165:2021 ANNEX C - USING SLIDER 96
AND $\neq$ RZ MEASUREMENTS. ASSESSED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE $\neq$ UKSRG
GUIDELINES ISSUE 5:2016.**

As requested by Polyflor Limited, SATRA has conducted an assessment of the slip resistance of a sample of flooring as detailed below.

CONCLUSION

The product referenced "Polysafe Stone Fx PUR" has demonstrated a low slip potential under wet test conditions in the worst performing direction tested and a low slip potential under dry test conditions in the worst performing direction tested, when tested to EN 16165:2021 Annex C and assessed in accordance with the $\neq$ UK Slip Resistance Group guidelines, Issue 5:2016.

SAMPLE SUBMITTED

Sample reference: 'Polysafe Stone Fx PUR' ⁽¹⁾
Nominal Thickness: '2.0mm' ⁽¹⁾
Weight per Unit Area: '2.78 kg/m²' ⁽¹⁾
Batch No: 'DA7888' ⁽¹⁾
Shade: '4043 Agate Grey' ⁽¹⁾
Description of surface: Smooth (Embossed)
Appearance:



Date conditioning started: 30 November 2023
Testing completed: 04 December 2023
Testing conducted by: Phil Weal & Dusan Pekarovic

TESTS CARRIED OUT

- EN 16165:2021. Determination of slip resistance of pedestrian surfaces – Methods of evaluation - Annex C. Pendulum Test ^(2,3,4)
- ≠ Surface roughness measurements (Rz) in accordance with ≠ UK Slip Resistance Group Guidelines – Issue 5:2016 ^(3,5,6,7)

Note(s):

- (1) Information supplied by the customer. Not verified by SATRA.
- (2) The samples were conditioned and testing was conducted at $(23 \pm 2) ^\circ\text{C}$ and $(50 \pm 5) \% \text{RH}$. Surface temperature measured prior to testing was $21.9 ^\circ\text{C}$.
- (3) Results have been assessed in accordance with the ≠ UK Slip Resistance Group Guidelines – Issue 5:2016.
- (4) The median value is calculated over the final five measurements from a set of eight measurements.
- (5) Surface roughness measurements were included at the customer's request.
- (6) The surface roughness values have been taken from an area 75mm x 75mm with meter oriented in three directions.
- (7) The average surface roughness was also taken from the three highest measurements.

VERIFICATION

Before testing commenced a verification of the pendulum tester was conducted as per EN 16165:2021 Annex C;

Verification as per EN 16165:2021 Annex C (04/12/23)

Verification Readings		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Median ⁽⁴⁾
Glass Plate (PVS-1)	WET	10	9	9	8	8	8	8	8	8
Pavigres Tile (PVS-2)		40	38	38	38	38	38	38	38	38
Pink Lapping Film (PVS-3)		69	68	68	68	66	66	66	66	66

Verification requirements from EN 16165:2021 Annex C

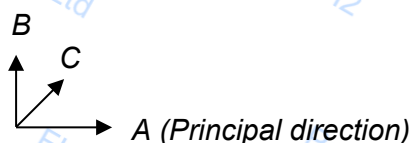
Verification Surface	Assigned value of verification surface (PTV in wet conditions)	Acceptance criteria for verification surface and measured value (PTV in wet conditions) slider 96
Float Glass Plate	8	± 2
Pavigres Tile	38	± 2
Pink Lapping Film	65	± 3

RESULTS

Table 1. EN 16165:2021 Annex C – Pendulum Test. (Using Slider 96)

Sample	Condition	Median ⁽⁴⁾ slip measurement (PTV ₉₆)		
		Direction of Test		
		A	B	C
"Polysafe Stone Fx PUR"	Dry	66	62	64
	Wet (water)	41	41	40

Direction of Test



The following table contains the classification guidelines as recommended by the $\neq$ UK Slip Resistance Group Issue 5:2016.

Table 2. Guidelines for slip potential classifications for PTV, as stated in the $\neq$ UK Slip Resistance Group Guidelines Issue 5:2016.

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

RESULTS CONTINUED

≠ Surface Roughness Measurements (Rz)

The surface roughness was measured in accordance with the ≠ UKSRG Guidelines Issue 5:2016. Deviating from the guidelines, the average was also taken from the 3 highest measurements ⁽⁷⁾

Table 3. ≠ Surface Roughness measurements (Rz) ^(3,5,6,7)

Roughness Measurement	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Avg RZ	Avg ⁽⁷⁾
Rz value	21.4	28.1	33.6	29.0	30.6	30.6	19.8	29.6	28.4	35.2	28.6	33.1

The values achieved for the 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.

The average of the three highest measurements ⁽⁷⁾ achieved for surface roughness would also suggest that the floor covering submitted for testing has an expected low slip potential in water-wet conditions, as detailed in Table 4 below.

Table 4. Guidelines for surface roughness classification. Expected slip potential in water-wet conditions. (≠ UK Slip Resistance Group Guidelines Issue 5:2016).

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

It is important to understand that the surface roughness measurements 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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