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SLIP RESISTANCE / ASTM-E303

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# Dynamic Slip Resistance using ASTM E303-93 (2013) Pendulum Test Method

Client: **Tile Tech Inc.** Report date: 3/21/17

Flooring: **IPE Wood Tile - Smooth** 

Page 1 of 1 Sample no.: 1703-2122 Date tested: 3/21/17

How and when sample obtained: Supplied by client 3/20/17

Location of test: Sotter Engineering Test Laboratory in Mission Viejo, CA Type, age, condition, and texture of surface: wood, new, clean, smooth

Post-test free swing: 0 Age of TRL slider: 1 month Surface Temperature: 69°F

American Society for Testing and Materials Method E303-93 (2013), "Standard Test Method for Measuring Surface Frictional Properties Using the British Pendulum Tester" (astm.org) The trailing edge of a three-inch-wide spring-loaded slider, which is attached to the end of a 20-inch pendulum, contacts the tested surface when the pendulum is released from a horizontal position. The slider contact path length is pre-set to five inches. The pendulum pushes a pointer that stops and stays at the high point of the pendulum's swing. For road-related testing, the slider is usually TRL (Transport & Road Laboratory) soft rubber.

Higher Pendulum Test Values (PTV) indicate increased friction. For reference only, with TRL rubber the PTV of wet #60 grade silicon carbide abrasive cloth at normal room temperature is approximately 57. For clear wet float glass it is 8.

#### Average Wet PTV with TRL (soft) rubber: 60

Individual PTV values: 63, 61, 59, 57

High Pendulum Test Values indicate potentially good traction. The Ceramic Tile Institute of America recommends a **minimum** pendulum test value of **36** for level floors. Slip resistance can be affected by factors such as floor coatings, abrasives, detergents, contamination, chemical treatments, and wear. Values of 25-35 are classed as "moderate slip potential". Values of 024 have "high slip potential".

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## **Flooring Test Results**

Client: **Tile Tech Inc.** Report date: March 21, 2017

Flooring: Wood Tile - smooth

Page 1 of 2 Sample no.: 1703-2123 Pieces tested: 3

Date tested: 3/21/17 Size: 12"x12"

How and when sample obtained: Supplied by client 3/20/17

American Society for Testing and Materials method ASTM C 1028-07. This test does not evaluate hydroplaning potential and is not recommended for assessing pedestrian safety. This test method was officially withdrawn by the ASTM in 2014. For more information please see www.C1028.info

## **Static coefficient of friction:**

# CLEANED WITH RENOVATOR

<u>Dry</u> <u>Wet</u>

0.78 0.75

A traditional safety standard was 0.60 or greater for level floors and 0.80 or greater for ramps using this test method. The test standard itself made no recommendations for safety. Results apply only to the samples tested.

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Flooring: Wood Tile - smooth

Individual test values (for information only; required by ASTM and City of Los Angeles):

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	_Dry_	_Wet_
1 2	0.78 0.77	0.73 0.76
3	0.80	0.77
4	0.81	0.77
5 6	0.78 0.75	0.75 0.71
7	0.77	0.74
8	0.76	0.75
9	0.78	0.78
10	0.79	0.74
11	0.80	0.74
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