PITCH SURFACES – EH CATEGORY 3



Sand Filled Artificial Sports Turf

What's it made up of?

Sand filled turf surfaces (or carpets) rely upon the pile of carpet to be filled with sand usually to within 2 – 3mm of the top of the pile. This surface functions as a true multi-sport surface and is arguably the most heard wearing and long lasting.

Characteristics

The surface is fully supported or stabilised by the addition of sand to help maintain its verticality and longevity. The nature of the turf means that it is highly durable and is able to accommodate a wide range of different sports, without favouring one in particular.

Whilst the nature of this turf is ideal to accommodate a range of different sports it is not necessarily for any particular sport, and are not typically installed for high level/performance hockey i.e. global, national or higher leagues.

What sport can be played on them?

Although this surface type is suitable for hockey, it is not traditionally associated with competitive high level or performance hockey, for example global, national or higher leagues. It is suitable for multi sports, football training and casual match play, but not for competitive football matches.

FIH Pitch Classification

Sand filled surfaces within the FIH National Parameter for all levels of competition excluding international training and matches, and England Hockey League National Premier.