

# **Sports Turf Solutions**

**Athletic Field Testing and Consulting Services** 

September 27, 2017

Dave Pedroli, Director of Maintenance and Operations San Rafael City Schools 38 Union Street San Rafael, CA 94901

Re: Impact Test Results – Terra Linda High School

Dear Dave,

On September 26<sup>th</sup>, I conducted impact attenuation tests on the synthetic turf athletic field at Terra Linda High School in San Rafael, CA. The tests were conducted in accordance with ASTM test method F355-A and test specification F1936-10. Section 8.2 of test specification F1936-10 was adapted for use on a previously tested field lined for football and soccer. Detailed test results are enclosed.

The test results reported herein reflect the condition of the points tested at the time of testing and at the temperatures reported. As recorded in the enclosed results, all test points, with the exception of test point #4, failed to meet ASTM's requirement of <200 average g-max, when tested in accordance with the above listed method and specification. (It should be noted that these results do not imply that an impact related injury cannot occur if a surface system complies with ASTM's g-max requirement.)

Thank you for the opportunity to be of service. Please call if you have questions or would like additional copies of the report.

Sincerely,

Parker Wood

**Sports Turf Solutions** 

Encl: Synthetic Turf Test Report

Phone: (831) 484-2138





Field Location: Terra Linda High School

Date(s) of Test: 9/26/2017

#### Field Description and Condition:

Field Layout: Football and soccer Surface Type: Infilled synthetic turf Hanufacturer: FieldTurf USA 10/29/2006 Condition: Clean and dry Orientation: Find A is WNW

#### Test Method/Specification: ASTM F1936-10

Standard Specification for Impact Attenuation of Turf Playing Systems as Measured in the Field



#### **Weather Conditions**

General: Clear; light breeze
Temp. (F): 86 °F (avg.)
Humidity: 19% Relative

## **Primary Contact:**

Name Dave Pedroli Phone # (415) 485-2445

## Test Performed By:

Parker Wood, Sports Turf Solutions

## **Summary of Test Results**

			Avg				Tempe	ratures	Depths			
Location	Vo (m/s)	h (m)	g-max	SI	HIC	Air (°C)	Air (°F)	Turf (°C)	Turf (°F)	Pile (mm)	Infill (mm)	Turf (mm)
Test Point 1	3.48	0.62	271	n.a	1101.0	30.4	87	31.1	88	35	24	11
Test Point 2	3.48	0.62	257	n.a	967.0	30.2	86	29.2	85	32	17	15
Test Point 3	3.47	0.61	224	n.a	843.0	29.6	85	29.5	85	36	23	13
Test Point 4	3.48	0.62	183	n.a	630.0	30.0	86	33.3	92	55	25	30
Test Point 5	3.47	0.61	216	n.a	829.0	31.0	88	29.2	85	34	23	11
Test Point 6	3.47	0.61	252	n.a	1013.5	31.0	88	32.5	91	40	21	19
Test Point 7	3.46	0.61	208	n.a	751.0	30.4	87	31.2	88	44	28	16
Test Point 8	3.49	0.62	212	n.a	776.5	28.9	84	29.2	85	35	25	10
Test Point 9	3.48	0.62	257	n.a	943.0	30.0	86	31.7	89	19	12	7
Test Point 10	3.47	0.61	226	n.a	805.5	30.8	87	30.8	87	36	21	15

Range of <i>g</i> -max averages:						
Highest average reading	271					
Lowest average reading	183					
Average of the averages	230					

## Exceptions / Comments:

Section 8.2 of ASTM standard specification F1936-10 was adapted for use on a previously tested field lined for football and soccer. No site abnormalities were noted, and there were no deviations from standard test procedures. All tests met data integrity requirements. There were painted lines on the field for men's and women's lacrosse. A number of new turf patches were observed. Significant fibrillation, shedding and pile layover were noted. Some sections of white and yellow turf showed additional wear. Stitch lines were visible in areas with high wear.





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#### **Detailed Test Results**

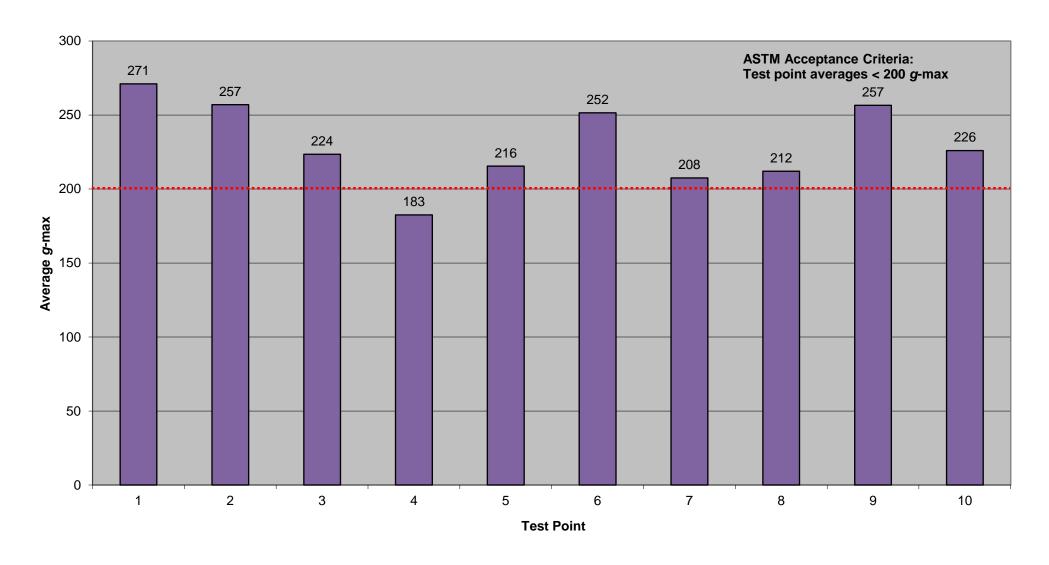
							Temperatures				Depths		
Location	Drop #	Vo (m/s)	h (m)	g-max	SI	HIC	Air (°C)	Air (°F)	Turf (°C)	Turf (°F)	Pile (mm)	Infill (mm)	Turf (mm)
Test Point 1	. 1	3.48	0.62	241		917	` ′	, ,	` /	, ,	, , ,	, , ,	, ,
Football goal line,	2	3.48	0.62	271		1101							
End A, center of	3	3.48	0.62	271		1101							
the field	Avg 2&3	3.48	0.62	271	n.a	1101	30.4	87	31.1	88	35	24	11
Test Point 2	1	3.48	0.62	235		829							
10 Yd line, End A,	2	3.48	0.62	257		966							
20 ft from Side C	3	3.47	0.61	257		968							
	Avg 2&3	3.48	0.62	257	n.a	967	30.2	86	29.2	85	32	17	15
Test Point 3	1	3.47	0.61	200		701							
25 Yd line, End A,	2	3.47	0.61	222		835							
40 ft from Side C	3	3.47	0.61	225		851							
	Avg 2&3	3.47	0.61	224	n.a	843	29.6	85	29.5	85	36	23	13
Test Point 4	1	3.47	0.61	168		541							
Center of the Field	2	3.47	0.61	182		625							
	3	3.48	0.62	183		635							
	Avg 2&3	3.48	0.62	183	n.a	630	30.0	86	33.3	92	55	25	30
Test Point 5	1	3.47	0.61	189		662							
25 Yd line, End B,	2	3.47	0.61	213		815							
20 ft from Side D	3	3.47	0.61	218		843							
	Avg 2&3	3.47	0.61	216	n.a	829	31.0	88	29.2	85	34	23	11
Test Point 6	1	3.47	0.61	221		822							
12 Yd line, End B,	2	3.47	0.61	247		985							
center of field	3	3.47	0.61	256		1042							
	Avg 2&3	3.47	0.61	252	n.a	1014	31.0	88	32.5	91	40	21	19
Test Point 7	1	3.47	0.61	184		624							
35 Yd line, End B,	2	3.46	0.61	206		742							
10' outside foot-	3	3.46	0.61	209		760							
ball Side C	Avg 2&3	3.46	0.61	208	n.a	751	30.4	87	31.2	88	44	28	16
Test Point 8	1	3.48	0.62	194		671							
Corner of soccer	2	3.49	0.62	212		777							
field at End A and	3	3.48	0.62	212		776	00.0	0.4	00.0	0.5	0.5	0.5	40
soccer Side D	Avg 2&3	3.49	0.62	212	n.a	777	28.9	84	29.2	85	35	25	10
Test Point 9	1	3.48	0.62	239		834							
Soccer goal line,	2	3.48	0.62	265		978							
End A, center of	3	3.48	0.62	248	20	908	20.0	96	24.7	90	10	10	7
field	Avg 2&3	3.48	0.62	257	n.a	943	30.0	86	31.7	89	19	12	7
Test Point 10	1	3.47	0.61	197		651							
3' fm soccer goal	2 3	3.47	0.61	224		794							
line to 50 Yd line,		3.47	0.61	228	2.0	817	20.0	07	20.0	07	26	24	15
End B, ctr of field	Avg 2&3	3.47	0.61	226	n.a	806	30.8	87	30.8	87	36	21	15

Note: The accelerometer used to determine *g*-max values was last calibrated on 1/13/17. The calibration certificate is on file at Sports Turf Solutions. Copies are available upon request.





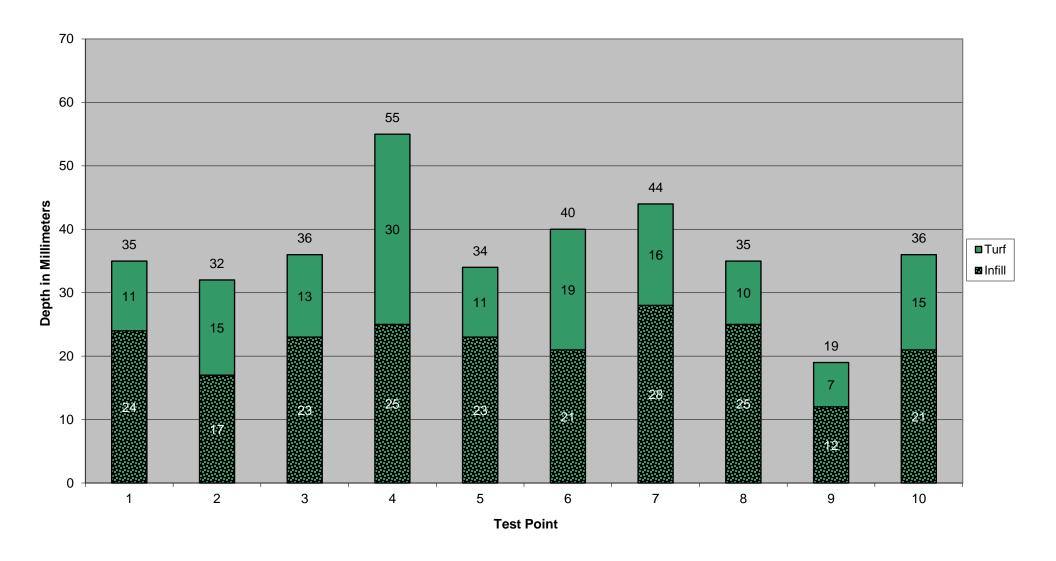
## Terra Linda High School Average g-max Levels







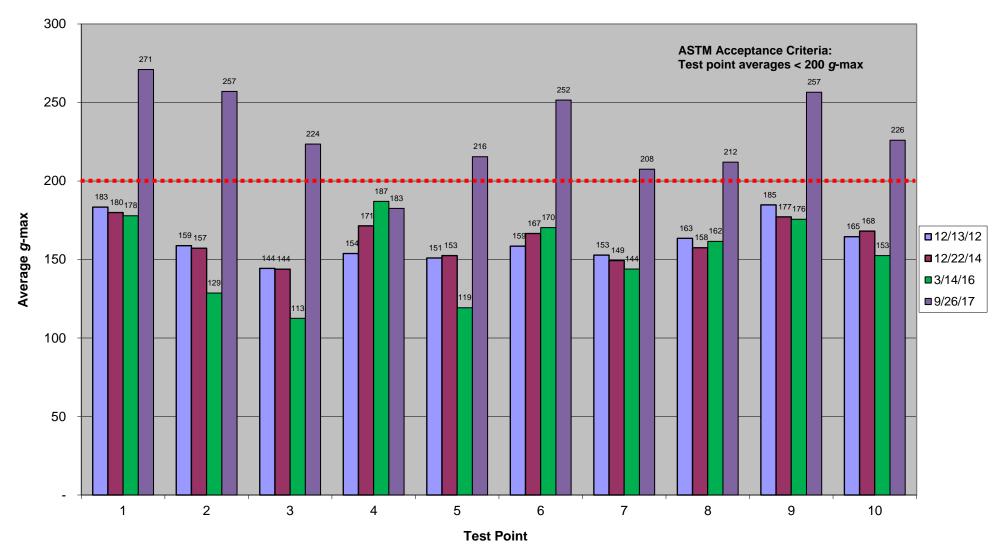
# Terra Linda High School Test Point Profiles







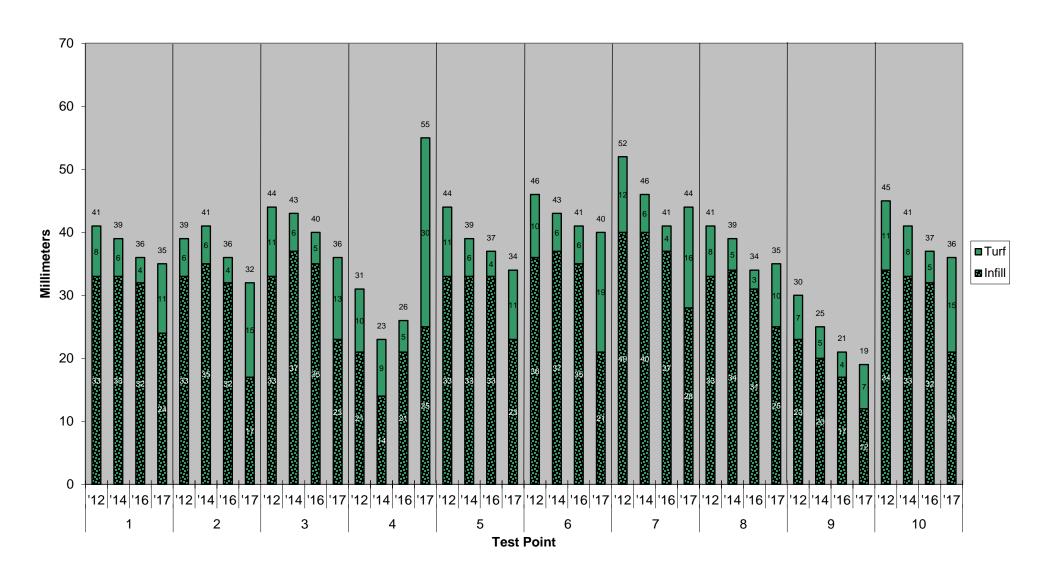
# Terra Linda High School Comparison of Past and Present *g*-max Values







# Terra Linda High School Comparison of Past and Present Surface Profile Data





## Test Point Reference Guide



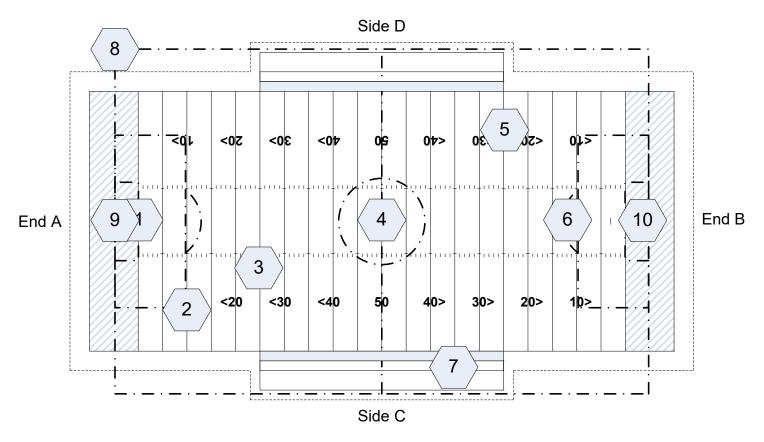
Job Number: 17-055

Client: San Rafael City Schools

Field: Terra Linda High School

Date Tested: 9/26/2017





## **Test Points:**

Point 1 – Football goal line, end A, center of field

Point 2 – 10 yard line, end A, ¼ of the distance from football sideline C to center of field

Point 3 – 25 yard line, end A, ½ of the distance from football sideline C to center of field

Point 4 - 50 yard line, center of field

Point 5 – 25 yard line, end B, ¼ of the distance from football sideline D to center of field

Point 6 - 12 yard line, end B, center of field

Point 7 – 35 yard line, end B, 10' outside football sideline C

Point 8 – Corner of soccer field, end A, soccer sideline D

Point 9 – Soccer goal line, end A, center of field

Point 10 - 3' from soccer goal line to 50 yard line, end B, center of field

Note: Not to scale. Soccer field dimensions may vary from illustration.



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# Impact Test Terminology

The following terms and symbols appear in the attached test data:

Symbol	Definition							
Vo	Velocity of the test missile immediately prior to impact, as							
VO	measured in meters per second.							
	Theoretical height from which the test missile is dropped, as							
h	measured in meters. ("h" is a calculated value, derived from Vo,							
	that enables comparison of test data based on drop height.)							
g	The ratio of the magnitude of missile acceleration during impact							
g	to the acceleration of gravity, expressed in equivalent units							
g-max	The maximum value of $g$ encountered during impact.							
SI	Severity Index – a measure of the injury potential of an impact.							
31	Best used to estimate the risk of a <i>focal</i> brain injury. (*)							
	Head Injury Criteria – a measure of the injury potential of an							
HIC	impact, similar to SI. Best for estimating the risk of a <i>diffuse</i>							
	brain injury. (*)							
Air Temp	The ambient air temperature, measured in the shade. Values are							
All Tellip	reported both in degrees Celsius and degrees Fahrenheit.							
Surface	The temperature of the playing surface, measured with a probe							
Temp	inserted ½ inch below the top of the infill material. Values are							
Тетр	reported both in degrees Celsius and degrees Fahrenheit.							
	The depth of the pile at the test point, measured from the top of							
	the playing surface to the upper surface of the pile backing.							
	Reported values are the average of at least three measurements							
Pile Depth	and are stated in millimeters. (Note: Due to pile layover, curling,							
	and other characteristics of installed turf systems, pile depth will							
	generally be less than the length of pile fibers as measured at the							
	time of manufacture.)							
Infill Depth	The depth of the infill material at the test point, measured from							
	the upper surface of the infill material to the upper surface of the							
	pile backing. Reported values are the average of at least three							
	measurements and are stated in millimeters.							
	The difference between the pile depth and the infill depth. This							
Turf Depth	is the amount of pile projecting above the infill layer. Values are							
	reported in millimeters. (May also be referred to as "free pile.")							

(\*) SI and HIC values are reported for the purpose of making year-to-year comparisons of a field's condition. Do not use SI or HIC values determined by Standard Specification F1936 or Standard Test Method F-355A, to decide the safety or acceptability of a field.