

# SPRUNG FLOOR IMPACT CUSHIONS



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Concrete floors and other solid surfaces can sometimes create an array of bodily injuries as they are not "resilient". A dance and performance floor needs to be able to absorb and return energy whilst also providing an even and consistent dampening effect across the entire surface.

Not all sprung floors are created equal. A wrestling ring is different from a gymnasium, which in turn has different requirements from a dance studio.

The keys to this are the dynamics of the "spring" or cushion and surrounding air mass.

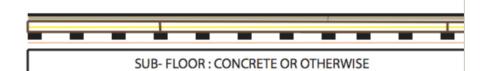
Paying particular attention to DIN Standard 18033 Part II 1991 and, seeking a durometer of 40-45 (to achieve a minimum 53% shock absorption), a 2.3mm standard deflection and a 15% average deflection, **STM Studio Supplies** extensively tested available proprietary products. Finding that while each had their own designated advantages - such as impact isolation or isolation of structure borne noise and vibration - they were not necessarily appropriate to dance.

**STM Studio Supplies** finally selected a cross-linked, expanded foam based ethylene vinyl acetate copolymer resin. This resin has a particularly fine cell structure which serves to increase its energy absorption and in particular, its rebound ability.

 $100 \text{mm} \times 100 \text{mm} \times 15 \text{mm}$  pads at 300 mm centres directly under plywood work equally as well at 450 mm centres in a  $75 \times 100 \text{mm}$  format under timber floor battens. Alternative sizes and thicknesses are available on request.

# **STM Sprung Floor Profile**

- Vinyl or timber flooring layers as required
- 15-17mm flooring grade tongue and groove plywood in a Brick Pattern in opposing direction from layer above
- STM Studio Supplies 15mm EVA Impact Cushions adhered to plywood or batten layer with Bostik Matrix FC or equivalent
- 100-200 UM builders plastic with duct tape joins



Not to scale DWNG:STFP 15/06/09

## Simple and affordable

This system was in turn tested extensively and has now been in use across Australia and Internationally in Dance Studios, Secondary Schools, and Performance Stage environments since 2004.

"Not all floors are created equal. Neither are their purpose.

The needs of a performance dance floor are not the same as a gymnasium or a classroom.

We have the solution."









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### **Technical Data**

STM Studio Supplies Sprung Floor Impact Cushions are manufactured using resins and pigments that are considered safe - up to food grade - and are usually considered to be chemically non-reactive.

### **Properties**

- Light and age resistant
- High tear strength
- Especially suited for adhering to flooring surfaces
- No shrinkage
- Resists high shear stresses

PROPERTY	TEST METHOD		UNITS
DENSITY	JIS K6767-1976 ASTM D 3575-91	METHOD A	
TYPICAL SIZE	TOLERANCE -0+1%		100 X 100 X 15 MM
THICKNESS			
HARDNESS READ AFTER 2 SECONDS	INTERNAL (JIS'C) IN- TERNAL (SHORE A)	CALCULATION	25-30 DEG N/A
TENSILE STRENGTH	JIS K6767-1976 ASTM D 412-87	METHOD A DIE A	800KPA
TEAR STRENGHT	JIS K6767-1976 ASTM D 624-86	DIE B DIE C	4.5KN/M
ELONGATION AT BREAK	JIS K6767-1976 ASTM D 412-87		250-300%
COMPRESSION SET 22 HRS AT 23DEG C+ 24 HRS RECOVERY	JIS K6767-1976 ASTM D 3575-91	25% DEFL SUFFIX B	<5
COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH (25%)	ASTM D 3575-91	SUFFIX D	60
WATER ABSORPTION	JIS K6767-1976		0.002 G/CU.CM
THERMAL CONDUCTIVITY	ASTM C 518-76		W/M.DEG C
SERVICE TEMPERATURE	MIN/MAX		

**STM Studio Supplies Sprung Floor Impact Cushions** may burn at or above the flashpoint, which is estimated at 250°C.

Materials Safety Data sheets available on request.

Please contact us for any further information.

