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Synthetic Surfacing / Cricket

The worlds leading range of non-turf cricket pitches

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## Who we are...

**Notts Sport® is the world's leading supplier of non-turf cricket pitch systems for coaching, practice and match play.**

Our unique Design & Advisory service sets Notts Sport® apart from other artificial pitch providers, and enables you to benefit from a tailor-made facility providing the best playing characteristics for your individual requirements. This bespoke service comes at no extra cost.

We 'fine tune' facilities to provide an agreed performance, maintenance and lifespan criteria, customised to suit your intended user group.

Our numerous England and Wales Cricket Board approved systems can be incorporated to replicate the changeability of natural grass or alternatively to minimise this and offer a more consistent day to day performance. The latter option is hugely beneficial for clubs and schools coaching a wide range of ages and abilities.

A Notts Sport® solution is available for new build projects or when refurbishing existing facilities.

## The Notts Sport® service

**Helping to deliver better facilities through our free consultancy service:**

- We'll meet with the project leader to carry out a free no obligation site visit – at any stage of your scheme – to discuss your requirements and explain the options open to you.
- We'll produce a free design proposal showing the size, position and orientation of your facility, with component specifications selected to meet your requirements and budget, taking in to account ECB guidelines
- As your project develops, we're available to review or alter proposals if necessary, and to offer funding advice.
- From raw materials and manufacture through to installation, strict quality control procedures are carried out to ensure works are completed to the highest standard.
- Post-installation, we're on hand to offer ongoing support to ensure that you get the very best value from your purchase.





## Why choose non-turf?

- Artificial grass surfaces are an increasingly popular choice for schools and cricket clubs in the UK and throughout the world – with a Notts Sport® solution you can enjoy more play, more often.
- They need little preparation or resting compared to a natural turf pitch, are more resistant to wear and the chances of match cancellation due to wet weather is greatly reduced.
- A non-turf pitch can help players develop bowling and batting techniques by offering consistent performance.
- Not only does this allow you to maximise play with low maintenance requirements and cost, but it offers you an excellent way to increase revenue. As the world's leading non-turf pitch experts, Notts Sport® will help you make the right choice.

## Why choose Notts Sport®?

- Notts Sport® is a leading specialist in the design and supply of synthetic surfacing systems for sport, play and leisure. The company has over 25 years' experience in providing non-turf technology for cricket, tennis, hockey, football and multi-use games areas as well as children's play and landscape environments.
- Our flexible, client-focused approach combines exclusive Notts Sport® branded non-turf pitch systems, many of which are approved by the England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB), alongside the Notts Sport® consultancy service.
- This allows for advice at every stage of your project, from practical feasibility, planning and funding, to specification, installation and aftercare.
- Through a national network of licensees, Notts Sport® provides specialist installation expertise and aftercare services.
- Consistency and durability set Notts Sport® pitches apart from the rest. Our unique pitch designs have been developed and rigorously tested to achieve consistent performance throughout their lifetime.



## Performance

**The Envelope System® and NottsBase® 'D' System are products exclusive to Notts Sport® and are approved by the England & Wales Cricket Board.**

Common to both systems is a top surface carpet and full length underlay shock pad.

A shock pad offers player comfort, enhances pitch performance by regulating ball bounce and facilitates realistic reaction for seam bowlers. The pad's excellent load-bearing properties will also help protect the chosen base from disturbance during play, reducing maintenance.

Our surfaces are engineered to provide excellent grip underfoot, even in wet conditions. They also stop balls 'skidding' through, and enable the ball to 'bite' when a spin bowler is in action.

Additional performance layers are included, with the type dependent upon which specification is chosen. All of the materials beneath the top surface are non-erosive with the aim of preserving the sub base so that with correct maintenance the performance will not deteriorate.

This means that future refurbishment could be restricted to a straightforward swap of the top surface carpet, giving true best value on a cost-per-year ratio.

Available with a range of top surface grades and pace adjustments (the latter being extremely popular in multi-lane practice area projects) our offerings are tailored to best suit your user group and to provide ultimate performance for your expected 'in use' hours.



# Examples of our ECB Approved Systems

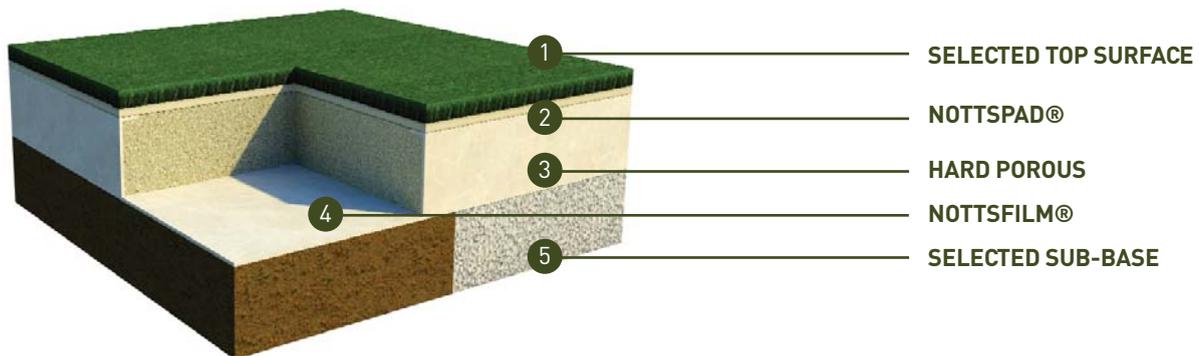
## ENVELOPE SYSTEM®

**The Envelope System® incorporates a low maintenance base system designed to imitate the best playing characteristics of a well-maintained natural turf pitch.**

A specialised cricket aggregate is totally encapsulated in a porous film to guard against contamination, therefore maintaining the performance throughout its life.

The system is fully porous and therefore gives a changeable performance that is similar to a natural cricket square and reacts to climatic conditions accordingly.

This grants you the option of self-managing performance through rolling and watering of the surface to customise the pitch to a specific requirement.



## NOTTSBASE® 'D' SYSTEM

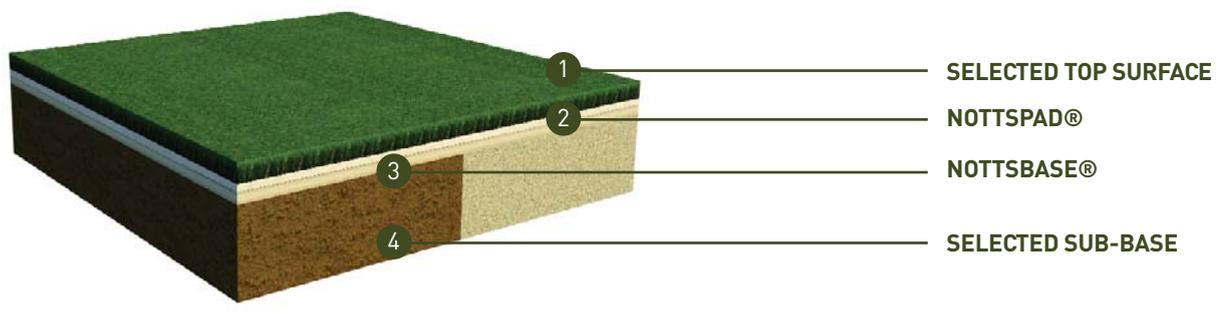
**The NottsBase® 'D' System incorporates a non porous layer to give a consistent all year round performance.**

This unique factory formed underlay aids pace and bounce. This component is virtually unaffected by moisture, delivering a steadfast, firm base for the ball to react against – invaluable after rainfall.

Resultant is a narrower and more consistent range of pace and bounce, encouraging player confidence and excellent coaching conditions.

Because the NottsBase® 'D' System uses synthetic rather than natural performance control layers below the surface, less maintenance is needed during the life of the pitch.

When used as a match pitch, the NottsBase® 'D' System can be relocated at minimal cost due to its synthetic (rather than natural aggregate) performance control layer.



## EXAMPLE MATCH PITCH INSTALLATION:



1. Pitch location selected and excavated.  
Specially selected approved, graded aggregate imported.
2. The aggregate is compacted to accurate depths and levelled to tight tolerances.
3. Performance underlays and synthetic grass surface materials tensioned and fixed.
4. Perimeter reinstated to marry in with the surrounding natural grass level to provide a smooth transition.
5. Completed pitch is marked out and ready for use, meeting the pre-agreed maintenance, lifespan and performance criteria.

## EXAMPLE PRACTICE AREA INSTALLATION:



1. Area cleared and excavated.  
Perimeter edge boards installed to ensure an eventual secure and level platform.
2. Internal wooden boards installed to ensure flat and secure batting lanes and a smooth transition to the surrounding surface.
3. Approved and graded performance aggregates imported, compacted and levelled to tight tolerances.
4. Surround materials laid and secured.
5. Underlays and durable synthetic surface tensioned and secured.  
Cage and netting structure erected.  
Facility perimeter reinstated to marry in with the surrounding natural grass level.
6. Completed facility ready for use, meeting the pre-agreed maintenance, lifespan and performance criteria.

## Cage, netting and security options

In practice area situations, the cage system size, steelwork strength, netting quality, net fixing and other supports are major considerations that will influence the facility's cost, durability and safety.

Notts Sport® can advise what will work best for each individual project, bearing in mind the facility's users, location, surrounding activities and potential for vandalism.

While most projects require a permanently fixed structure, a mobile cage system can be provided for practice use around a match strip installation.



## Indoor

Notts Sport® artificial surfacing systems can also be installed indoors and have been selected for use at a number of world-class indoor cricket centres and schools, including the Dorset Cricket Centre and Mike Turner Cricket Centre at Leicestershire County Cricket Club.

## Portable Cricket Mats

Our range of bespoke portable products has been developed for use where a permanently fixed option is not possible. The range of mats are designed to cater for different base applications that may be encountered such as indoor sports hall flooring, hard bases including concrete, or existing synthetic turf sports pitches.

The mats are engineered to ensure that they lie flat, are non-slip, and provide a more consistent performance. The surfaces offer reaction for spin and seam bowlers, making them ideal for allowing bowlers to learn control, while the specially developed top surface colour allows the batsman to view the flight of the ball more easily. They are non-reflective, easy to clean and accept numerous forms of line markings.



## Funding

**Notts Sport® will not only provide a detailed cost analysis of your project, but can also advise you on whom to approach to find additional funding.**

Notts Sport® works with a number of UK and international cricket organisations to enhance and develop opportunities to take part in the game.

## Get in touch!

**We hope this brochure helps to illustrate why Notts Sport® is the leading supplier of non-turf cricket facilities in the UK and internationally, and that you have already started to build up an idea of what your new facility will be like.**

To take advantage of our free consultation service to guide you through your project, all you need to do now is to get in touch. Simply give us a call and we will be happy help you turn your ideas into a project design.

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