

## Technical Information Melcourt Sofffall™

### Product Description

A soft, natural, loose impact absorbing surface (LIAS) from our 'economy' range, carefully manufactured from selected conifer poles and particularly useful when the budget is limited and where an effective, proven surface is required under low level equipment

- Particles in the range 1 -100mm
- Light brown in colour
- Extremely light in weight
- Free-draining allowing safe play throughout the year
- Produced from sustainably harvested British forests
- Compliance to BS EN 1176 , confirms that Melcourt Sofffall™ meets a nationally accepted industry standard
- High resistance to fire confirmed by testing in accordance with BS 4790:1987
- Good durability of 2 – 3 years plus
- Sold in 75 litre bags, bulk bags and in loose bulk

### User Benefits

- Independently tested in accordance with the requirements of BS EN 1176, at depths of 300mm, 200mm, and 100mm giving critical fall heights of 4.37metres, 3.42 metres and 2.18metres respectively
- Easy to install and maintain
- Virtually vandal resistant
- Any overspill onto adjacent grassed areas will not damage mowing equipment
- Hostile living environment for pests
- Extremely cost-effective
- Easy to relocate

### Design, Installation and Aftercare

Melcourt offers extensive advice on design, installation and aftercare using products from our Play Range, together with up-to-date information on many contractual and standards issues regarding play areas. This information can be found on our website at [www.melcourt.co.uk](http://www.melcourt.co.uk).



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## Product Specification

- The product shall consist of British conifer peelings with an even nominal particle size distribution of 1 - 100mm, with up to 15% dust and fines and 70% plus wood content.
- The product shall be pest, disease and weed free and not have been treated with methyl bromide or any additives, colorants or dyes.
- The product shall comply with BS EN 1177 and be installed to a layer thickness of 100mm more than that found by laboratory testing to achieve the required critical fall height.
- The product shall have been tested in accordance with the requirements of BS EN 1176, at depths of 300mm, 200mm and 100mm.
- The product shall have been tested in accordance with the requirements of BS 4790:1987, for fire resistance and be classified as having 'low' potential to burn.

## Application Rates

- Lay the 'Melcourt Sofffall™' LIAS to a finished depth of ..... mm (*insert finished depth required*) allowing at least 20% for settlement after 30 days.

## Additional Clauses

- Copies of all current British Standard test certificates to be provided on request.
- Typical product samples to be provided on request.
- All product volumes to be calculated using the Bulk Density method, as set out in BS EN 12579:2000 and BS EN 12580:2000.

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To comply with BS EN 1176, the LIAS used must be installed to a layer thickness of 100mm more than that found by laboratory testing to be necessary to achieve the required critical fall height.

The following table gives a guide to the area in square metres, covered by one cubic metre, when evenly laid at the given depths:

LIAS depth required	300 mm	200 mm	100 mm
Square metres covered by 1 cubic metre of LIAS	3.3	5.0	10.0

A suitable allowance for settlement should be made, as stated in the Technical Specification table below.

Product settlement percentages are provided for your guidance only. If the product settles more than the minimum figure stated, it is the customer's responsibility to order sufficient additional material, to give the required finished depth.

## TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

Main Constituent	Origin	Nominal particle size range	Wood content	Dust & fines	Quality range
Wood	British	1 - 100 mm	> 70 % +	15 %	Economy

Typical Bulk Density Range	Settlement factor	Durability	BS EN 1176 compliance	BS EN 1176 tested	BS 4790:1987 tested
80 - 130 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	20 % +	2 - 3 years +	Yes	Yes	Yes

All values given in the Technical Specification are typical. However, some variation may occur from time to time. Melcourt Industries Ltd reserves the right to alter the specification without notice, for the purpose of product improvement.