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## Artistic roller skating: guidance for sports hall operators

As the national governing body for artistic roller skating in Great Britain, GB Skate Artistic provides the following guidance for sports hall operators regarding the use and compatibility of artistic roller skates on indoor surfaces.

Artistic roller skating relies on high quality indoor surfaces and does not damage sports hall floors. The impact of artistic roller skates on floor surfaces is no greater than many other common indoor sports.

**Surface compatibility:** Artistic roller skating is compatible with concrete, terrazzo, wood, and composite flooring.

**Non marking materials:** Artistic roller skates use polyurethane wheels and non marking rubber toe stops specifically designed for indoor use which will not scratch nor leave any permanent marks on the floor surface. Artistic skate wheels are indoor use only and must be kept clean to maintain adequate grip. Any residue from rubber toe stops is superficial and can be easily removed during routine cleaning or by simply rubbing the spot with a soft cloth.

Artistic roller skating has taken place for many tens of thousands of hours over many decades on numerous facilities across Great Britain without any evidence of damage occurring on a wide range of floor surfaces.