



Xtreme Turf Earns First FIFA Certification in Brazil

Famous Sport Club Corinthians Paulista prefers synthetic turf from ACT Global Sports

Austin, TX, October 23, 2007 --(PR.com)-- The synthetic turf surface installed at Sport Club Corinthians Paulista of Sao Paulo, Brazil has achieved prestigious FIFA certification. This is the first FIFA certified field ever installed in the country of Brazil.

To obtain this certification, the field must be tested by an accredited laboratory to prove that its characteristics are similar to natural grass. These measurements include shock absorption, foot stability, rotational resistance, linear friction and ball-to-surface interaction.

Sport Club Corinthians Paulista conducted an extensive study during its selection of a synthetic turf system. Corinthians wanted to make sure the surface would be safe and perform similar to natural grass. As one of the largest soccer clubs in Brazil, it has also high demands for its practice fields due to the intensity of use. FIFA recommended surfaces can meet these demands as part of required durability, UV stability and base construction testing. By comparison, natural grass training pitches are not able to withstand the same number of playing hours.

John Baize of ACT Global Sports comments, “We value the FIFA Quality Concept as an excellent standard for clubs around the world to select synthetic turf systems based upon proven performance criteria. Through a field test and FIFA certification process, a club can gain greater assurance of a safe and superior surface. We are excited to have provided Corinthians with our world-class Xtreme Turf in conjunction with our local partners in Brazil.”

Sport Club Corinthians Paulista is one of the most successful first division teams in Brazil with multiple championships in its history including the FIFA World Club Championship. Founded in 1910, it has an estimated 24 million fans and professional players that are known throughout the world.

ACT Global Sports is headquartered in Texas, USA with locations in The Netherlands, Cyprus, Hong Kong and China. Local sales and support is offered with representatives located in Brazil and over 35 countries through an expanding partner network of leading sport field contractors. The company has ISO 9001 and ISO 14001 quality certifications along with state-of-the-art manufacturing equipment and a dedicated research and development center.

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