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For a fee, AutoStone can provide for TCNA to test already produced products by AutoStone. We cannot provide testing services on custom made products or future production run tiles. Please contact AutoStone customer support for more information.

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**No tile is slip-proof, just like no floor is slip-proof**. We do not claim to provide a slip-proof anything. We have products that help you manage the risk associated with slip and fall accidents and when properly reviewed, measured and specified (by professionals) for the right environment, these products can help you manage risk associated with slip and fall accidents. There are many, many things that impact how slippery your floor is. Here is a few things to consider (please seek your professional for a thorough review):

- 1. Protection from the elements. Do you have rain/wind walls and doors that control the environment of your service drive?
- 2. Slope to drain, does your floor drain quickly, or do you have flat floors?
- 3. Cleaning practices. The idea behind a porcelain surface is that nothing is supposed to sink into the surface (which is why it looks good for a long time). Therefore, all oil, grease, tire transfer whatever sits on top of the tile until the floor is successfully cleaned.
- 4. Dealership management practices especially during times when it is raining, snowing, etc.
- 5. Overall facility design.
- 6. Cleaning practices and regimen.

There are many more factors that can impact the slipperiness of a floor. Most of these are beyond the scope of our floor tile and its installation. You should consult an AIA professional or other accredited professional with expertise and knowledge of flooring for your specific application, if you have questions about the use of any AutoStone products.



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**TEST REQUESTED BY:** AutoStone Floor Systems

TEST METHOD: ANSI A137.1-2012 Section 9.6.1: "Wet Dynamic Coefficient of

Friction (DCOF)"

Informal Test Method Description: This test method covers the measurement of dynamic coefficient of friction of ceramic tile or other surfaces under the wet condition using the BOT 3000 device.

This summary is provided for the reader's convenience and is not a complete description of the method. See ANSI A137.1 Section 9.6.1 for all method details and information.

TEST SUBJECT MATERIAL: Identified by client as: "AS.GF.ES-SG.1212.R-Shop

Textured-Bright\_S517-03-2015"

Approximate Size as Received: 12"x12"

Product color: Smoke Grey

**TEST DATE:** 10/12/2015

#### **TEST PROCEDURE NOTES:**

• Sample Prep: None

- The tiles were cleaned with Renovator #120 prior to testing.
- Three (3) pieces of tile were tested in all four directions with 10" long measurements.
- The SBR sensor was verified using a standard tile prior to testing.
- Testing was performed under wet conditions using 0.05% SLS water
- Testing was conducted under laboratory conditions at approximately 70°F and 50% relative humidity using a calibrated BOT 3000E device.

### **TEST RESULTS:**

The individual and average DCOF data for each tile were as follows:

Direction	Tile 1	Tile 2	Tile 3
Direction 1	0.63	0.63	0.61
Direction 2	0.61	0.59	0.60
Direction 3	0.60	0.59	0.60
Direction 4	0.61	0.61	0.61
Average	0.61	0.61	0.61

**COMMENTS:** None



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### **IMAGE OF PRODUCT TESTED:**





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#### **ANSI SPECIFICATIONS:**

According to the ANSI A137.1 standard for ceramic tile, "Unless otherwise specified, tiles suitable for level interior spaces expected to be walked upon when wet shall have a wet DCOF of 0.42 or greater when tested using SLS solution as per the procedure in section 9.6.1. However, tiles with a DCOF of 0.42 or greater are not necessarily suitable for all projects. The specifier shall determine tiles appropriate for specific project conditions, considering by way of example, but not in limitation, type of use, traffic, expected contaminants, expected maintenance, expected wear, and manufacturers' guidelines and recommendations."

This paragraph is excerpted from Section 6.2.2.1.10 of the standard. For the complete section, including necessary information for specifiers, this section can be viewed and downloaded at no cost at <a href="http://www.tcnatile.com/images/pdfs/COF">http://www.tcnatile.com/images/pdfs/COF</a> excerpt from ANSI A137.1-2012 release date November 2012.pdf

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