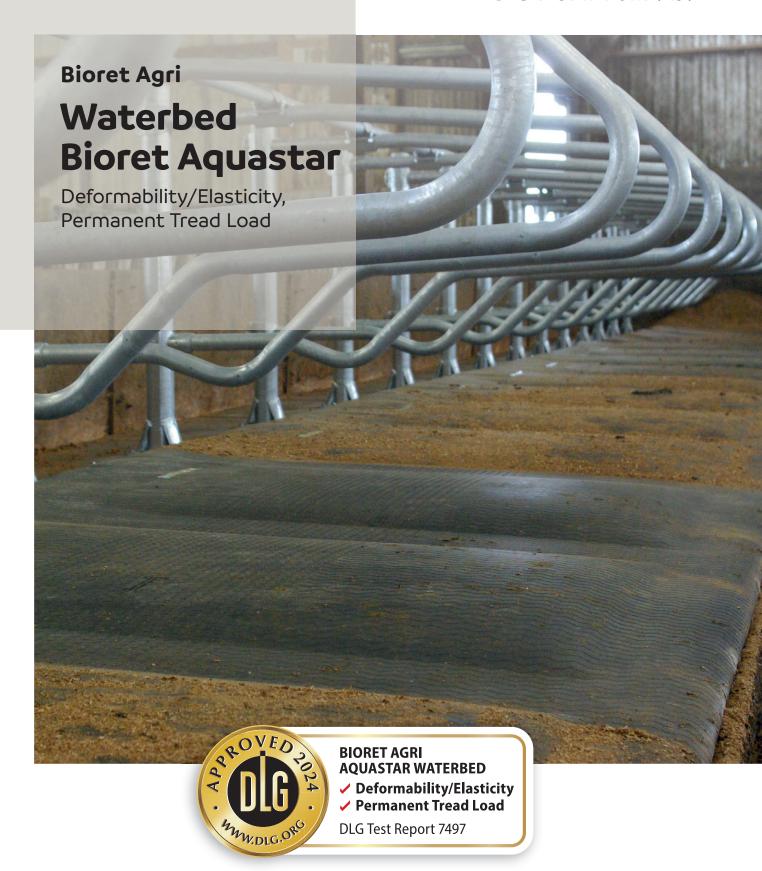
DLG-TEST REPORT 7497





Overview

A quality mark "DLG-APPROVED test for single value-determining criteria" is awarded to agricultural products which successfully passed a smaller-scope DLG usability test according to independent and recognized evaluation criteria. The test intends to highlight special innovations and key criteria of the test item. The test can focus on criteria from the DLG testing framework for



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The DLG Approved Test "Deformability/Elasticity, Permanent Tread Load" includes technical measurements on test stands of the DLG Test Center. The deformability and elasticity were measured and a permanent tread load was applied. The test was based on the DLG Testing Framework for elastic stable flooring, as of December 2018 and DIN 3763:2022-08 (Elastic floorings for cattle and dairy cows walking and rest surfaces – Requirements and Testing). Other criteria were not investigated.

Assessment – brief summary

The Bioret Aquastar Waterbed tested here, an elastic floor covering for the resting area in cubicle houses, was investigated with regard to durability and comfort properties on test stands in the DLG APPROVED Test for single-value-determining-criteria. The deformability and elasticity of the waterbed were measured and a permanent tread load was applied.

Requirements of DIN 3763 fulfilled in the examined criteria. Deformability and elasticity class 4 according to DIN 3763.

Table 1:

Overview of results

DLG QUALITY PROFILE	Evaluation*
Deformability and elasticity in new condition	*
Deformability and elasticity following endurance test	*
Lasting deformation following endurance test	*
Wear following endurance test	*

* The DLG test framework specifies the following evaluation range:
■■■ or better = meets, exceeds or clearly exceeds the specified DLG standard, □□ = meets the statutory requirements for marketing the product, ■ = failed

The product

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Description and Technical Data

The Aquastar Waaterbed tested here is an elastic floor covering for use in the resting area of high cubicles in cubicle houses; it contents waterbed with a latexfoam underlay.

- Surface with groove profil

- Thickness Latexfoam: approx. 30 mm

- Thickness complete: approx. 70 mm

- Shore A hardness: approx. 70

- laid as sheeting

The method

Deformability and elasticity

The deformability is measured using ball-indentation tests in new condition and following permanent tread load with a calotte (r = 120 mm) and a penetration force of 2,000 N (corresponding to approx. 200 kg).

Permanent tread load

The permanent tread load is measured on a test rig with a round steel foot with 100,000 alternating loads at 10,000 N (corresponding to approx. 1,000 kg). The steel foot is adapted to the natural conditions as an "artificial cow foot".

The foot has a diameter of 105 mm and therefore a contact area of 75 cm²; the carrying edge of the hoof is simulated by a 5 mm wide ring on the periphery of the sole that projects 1 mm above the rest of the surface.

The test results in detail

Deformability and elasticity

A penetration depth of 29.6 mm was determined in ball-indentation tests in new condition with a calotte (r = 120 mm) and a penetration force of 2,000 N (corresponding to approx. 200 kg).

A bearing pressure of 9.0 N/cm² was calculated from this, indicat-

ing a relatively small load on the carpal joints when lying down and standing up.

The elasticity was measured following a permanent loading test with a steel foot (contact area 75 cm²) with 100,000 alternating loads at 10,000 N. Following the endurance test, the penetration

depth of the calotte decreased from 29.6 mm to 25.6 mm. The bearing pressure increased from 9.0 N/cm² to 10.4 N/cm² (see Figure 2). This corresponds to a decrease in deformability and elasticity.



No noticeable wear was observed following exposure to permanent tread load on a test stand with 100,000 alternating loads at 10,000 N. Wear on the surface was detected and no lasting deformation was observed.

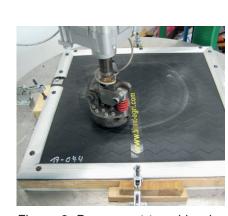


Figure 3: Permanent tread load

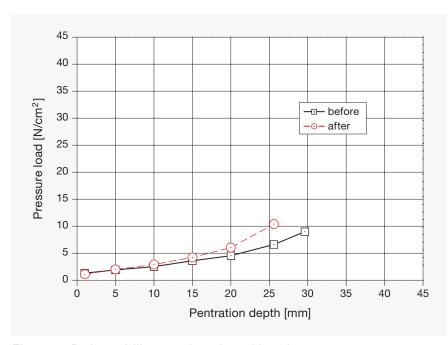


Figure 2: Deformability as a function of bearing pressure

Summary

Based on test-stand investigations, the criteria tested in this DLG-APPROVED-test-for-single-value-determining-criteria evaluate the comfort and durability properties of the Bioret Aquastar Waterbed for use in the resting area of high cubicles in cubicle houses. The tested Bioret Aquastar Waterbed met the requirements of the Testing Framework and DIN 3763 with respect to the investigated criteria.

Further information

Testing agency

DLG TestService GmbH, Gross-Umstadt location, Germany

The tests are conducted on behalf of DLG e.V.

DLG test framework

DLG Testing Framework for elastic stable flooring, as of December 2018

DIN 3763:2022-08 (Elastic floorings for cattle and dairy cows walking and rest surfaces – Requirements and Testing)

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The Aquastar Waterbed already received the DLG APPROVED Test Mark in 2017. The results presented in the report are based on DLG test report 6791. According to the applicant, the waterbed is produced unchanged in the tested version.

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