



Location:
Philadelphia, PA

Description:
80,000 square foot YMCA,
part of the Philadelphia and
vicinity YMCA association

Architect/Designer:
Kramer Marks

Everlast Representative:
Mark Giuranna

Distributor:
Advantage Sport USA

Ambler Area YMCA

Ambler YMCA's Needs:

- A product that would clean well after sweat and dust build up in the cardio areas
- A durable surface to resist the abuse and damage in the free weight room
- A hard-wearing floor in the machine areas that would hold up to heavy exercise equipment
- A single flooring solution to satisfy the demands of each of the three applications

Everlast Sports Surfacing Wins With:

- Low life-cycle costs; easy daily maintenance
- Roll goods that offer extreme durability and that excel under extreme conditions
- Easy installation that provides a strong, long lasting floor with a virtually seamless appearance
- Versatility in a variety of applications and areas



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Ambler Area YMCA is the first new facility in its association, YMCA Philadelphia and vicinity, in 50 years. Called by some “the Taj Mahal of YMCAs,” over 2,000 members use it every day. It is monumental in size as well, 80,000 sq. ft., with plans for the future to add another 40,000 sq. ft. Built in late 2010, the Y is already expanding; it will add an outdoor pool complex for the summer of 2012 on part of its 27 acre plot.

Ambler has something for every member of the family: a “Generation Y” room, two 2,000 sq. ft. multi-purpose rooms, an indoor track spanning 1/11 of a mile, and a mezzanine that overlooks the Wellness Center. This mezzanine space welcomes newcomers to the Y, as Ambler can be overwhelming. Additionally, the mezzanine is often used as an intermediary space for semi-private workouts and personal training. The 11,000 sq. ft. Wellness Center includes two group exercise rooms and a dedicated group cycling room.

Scott Lewis, Branch Executive Director, wanted a single flooring solution for three different applications: cardio machines, equipment, and free weight rooms. Product needs were varied; in cardio areas it needed to clean easily after sweat and dust build up, in equipment areas it had to hold up to heavy exercise equipment, and in free weight areas something that would resist abuse and absorb shock was required.

“Everlast sports surfacing with Nike Grind was our first choice for the Wellness Center due to our experiences with it in our other facilities,” said Lewis. Everlast excels against Ambler’s challenges with its extreme durability and ease of installation. When it came to the maintenance of the floor, John Mangan, Property Director, had a lot to say, “Once it’s in, it’s very low maintenance. The floor is nice, it’s fairly easy to take care of it, but you need to use the right tools. My maintenance crew loves it.”

Ambler Area YMCA is happy with the color selection, Just Beet It, because the dark base hides traffic wear patterns well and the ColorMill™ EPDM flecks matched the accent colors of the building. Although the facility is not seeking LEED or Green Build certification, the Y loves to share its “green conscience” choice with its members. With its superior durability, low life-cycle costs, ease of maintenance, and green story, Everlast sports surfacing with Nike Grind is proud to be the flooring of choice for “the Taj Mahal of YMCAs.”

Flooring Choices:

Rolled Goods:

- 12,442 sq. ft. Just Beet It

Performance:

- 295 sq. ft. 4 + 4
Custom Color – Pure Ginger

