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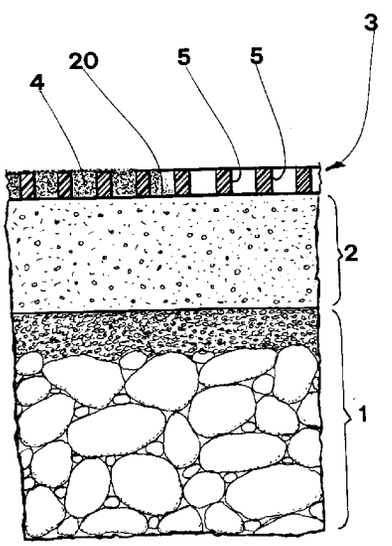
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(54) A flooring for sports grounds, in particular for tennis courts

(57) A carpet (3) made in elastomer material or the like is laid on a level upper surface (20) of a support layer (2), which in turn rests on a base (1). The carpet (3), exhibiting a grill or net conformation provided with a plurality of through holes (5), is coupled to the upper surface (20). A fine granular material (4) is spread on the carpet (3) in such a quantity as at least to fill the plurality of through holes (5) and create a homogeneous and even playing surface.

Fig.1



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