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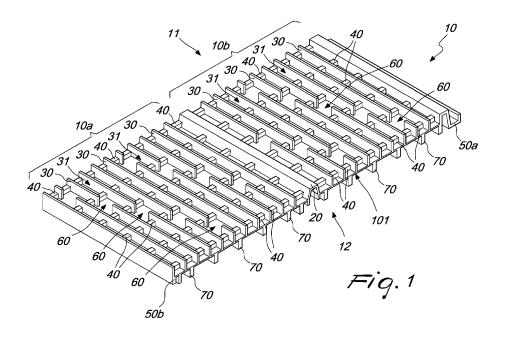
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(54) MAT MADE OF WATERPROOF PLASTIC MATERIAL FOR THE SUB-BASE OF SYNTHETIC TURFS OR PAVINGS AND THE LIKE

- (57) A mat (10) made of waterproof plastic material for the sub-base of synthetic turfs or pavings and the like, adapted to be arranged between a bed surface (201) and a covering layer (202), comprising:
- a membrane (101) which comprises a lower face (12) adapted to be rested on the bed surface (201) and an upper face (11) adapted to be covered by the covering layer (202);
- one or more coupling elements (50a, 50b) for mutual

interconnection with other mats (10') so as to compose a single turf for the complete covering of a predetermined bed surface (201); the lower face (12) and the upper face (11) comprising a plurality of ribs (30, 40, 70) adapted to absorb and return mechanical stresses; the ribs (30, 40, 70) comprise longitudinal lines (30) which form channels (31) for the horizontal draining of the water on the upper face (11).





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