



EXCELLENCE IN SAFETY

PRODUCT INFORMATION & TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Protect every void... avoid every injury. Supplied and installed by



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WHY USE wHOLE.Protect?

The wHOLE.**Protect** Void Protection System is a modern, cleaner and efficient replacement to the older and more traditional methods of void protection.

wHOLE.**Protect** combines the benefits of anti-slip GRP moulded grating with bespoke, specially adapted edge trim, to cover voids in the decking and provide a safer working platform. It replaces the need to install fiddly handrail and scaffolding systems, which are time consuming and restrict movement around the deck. This simple system is faster and cheaper to install and advances operational efficiencies and site safety for all tradespeople.

Read on, to find out why you should be discussing your void protection solutions with your decking specialists early in the deck design.

Falls from height are still the leading cause of death in the workplace. - FASET Research

THE WHOLE.PROTECT VOID PROTECTION SYSTEM



THE BENEFITS





ADAPTABLE Suitable for use in a variety of scenarios.



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LIGHTWEIGHT & SLIP SAFE GRP mesh grit material.

MODIFIABLE Can be cut to suit irregular void shapes.

SAFE Fire retardant and chemical resistant.



NON-PENETRABLE Non-conductive and impact resistant.



SAFETY EXCELLENCE



The wHOLE.**Protect** Void Protection System has been independently tested and approved by Parallax Structures (Mar 2021) in accordance with:

→ BS EN 1993-1-3:2006 Eurocode 3 – Design of steel structures. Part 1-3: General rules – Supplementary rules for cold-formed members and sheeting.

→ UK National Annex to Eurocode 3: Design of steel structures.



FASET (Fall Arrest Safety Equipment Training) is the established trade association and training body for the temporary safety systems industry.

www.wholeprotect.co.uk/faset-certification

According to FASET research, **falls from height are still the leading cause of death in the workplace**. FASET members undergo a rigorous audit accredited by SSiP and mutually recognised with other health and safety assessment schemes.

FASET membership is a symbol of trust and ensuring complete peace of mind when choosing contractors.



wHOLE.Protect is brought to you by Composite Profiles UK, a member of FASET awarded highly commended in 2021.

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2. PRODUCT PROFILES



WHOLE.PROTECT STANDARD

The 38mm² grate covers the voids to improve safety for people on site, and to prevent larger potentially dangerous debris from falling through onto lower levels.

| | Product Name | wHOLE.Protect Standard |
|----------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| | Product ID | WP04SD |
| <u>_</u> | Depth | 38mm |
| | Mesh | 38mm² |
| КС | Weight | 19.5kg per m ² |
| | Surface covered | 29% |



WHOLE.PROTECT MICRO

With an even smaller grate of 19mm², the wHOLE.**Protect Micro** passed the 12mm ball-bearing test assuring that even the smallest pieces of debris are prevented from falling onto the deck below, whilst still being large enough to allow for cables and air flow.

| | Product Name | wHOLE.Protect Micro |
|----------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| | Product ID | WP11MC |
| <u>ک</u> | Depth | 38mm |
| | Mesh | 19mm ² |
| С КG | Weight | 23.5kg per m ² |
| m | Surface covered | 58% |



WHOLE.PROTECT SOLID

Want total peace of mind? Our wHOLE.**Protect Solid** offers complete protection – allowing you to protect every void, and avoid every injury.

| | Product Name | wHOLE.Protect Solid | Catches 100% of falling debris |
|-------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| | Product ID | WP04ST | |
| 2 | Depth | 41mm | life. |
| | Mesh | Solid. Catches 100% of falling debris | |
| С Кб | Weight | 22kg per m² | |
| [m ²] | Surface covered | 100% | |

WHOLE.PROTECT MAXI

The wHOLE.**Protect Maxi** is a deeper profile which provides added strength across longer spans saving on steel costs and providing flexibility for applications.

| | Product Name | wHOLE.Protect Maxi |
|------------------|----------------|--|
| | Product ID | WP05MX |
| 0 | Depth | 50mm (60mm an option - call to discuss) |
| | Mesh | 50mm ² |
| C KG | Weight | 23.5kg per m ² |
| m ² S | urface covered | 29% |



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PERMANENT STATE whole.protect system - After concrete

After the concrete slab is cast, the supporting ledge created by the edge shutter permanently supports the GRP grating. Please note - The design of the concrete slab and supporting structure is to be undertaken by a third party.



LOAD CAPACITIES - PERMANENT STATE

Loading calculations have been conducted by an independent third party.

UNIFORMED LOAD CAPACITY (KG/M²)

| | Product Name | Туре | Mesh Size | Grating Depth | 300mm Span | 450mm Span | 600mm Span | 750mm Span | 900mm Span | 1000mm Span | 1200mm Span |
|----|-----------------------------------|--------|-----------------------------------|------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|
| ۲ | wHOLE. Protect Standard | WP04SD | 38mm x 38mm | 38mm | 23,132 | 6,790 | 2,825 | 1,404 | 859 | 605 | 390 |
| \$ | wHOLE. Protect Micro | WP11MC | 19mm x 19mm | 38mm | 24,643 | 7,130 | 2,966 | 1,475 | 902 | 636 | 410 |
| | wHOLE. Protect Solid | WP04ST | Solid top (38mm² mesh core) | 41mm | 23,132 | 6,790 | 2,825 | 1,404 | 859 | 605 | 390 |
| \$ | wHOLE. Protect Maxi | WP05MX | 50mm x 50mm | 50mm | 48,800 | 15,485 | 6,800 | 3,425 | 2,100 | 1,510 | 850 |

CONCENTRATE LOAD CAPACITY (KG)

| | Product Name | Туре | Mesh Size | Grating Depth | 300mm Span | 450mm Span | 600mm Span | 750mm Span | 900mm Span | 1000mm Span | 1200mm Span |
|---|-----------------------------------|--------|-----------------------------------|------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|
| ۲ | wHOLE. Protect Standard | WP04SD | 38mm x 38mm | 38mm | 1,455 | 1,020 | 725 | 521 | 430 | 317 | 275 |
| | wHOLE. Protect Micro | WP11MC | 19mm x 19mm | 38mm | 1,530 | 1,070 | 762 | 547 | 455 | 333 | 290 |
| | wHOLE. Protect Solid | WP04ST | Solid top (38mm² mesh core) | 41mm | 1,455 | 1,020 | 725 | 521 | 430 | 317 | 275 |
| | wHOLE. Protect Maxi | WP05MX | 50mm x 50mm | 50mm | 3,400 | 1,862 | 1,180 | 803 | 568 | 460 | 324 |

Please note:

- These figures are based on a deflection length of 0.75% of the span (BS Standard). For example, 734kg on a 300mm span will deflect at 2.4mm (300/125).
- The load tables above show maximum clear spans for various loading example/requirements in accordance with BS 4592-2006. For pedestrian traffic, the deflection of a floor panel under the design load shall not exceed 10mm or 1/200 of the span whichever is the lesser. The difference in level between a loaded and a neighbouring un-loaded panel shall not exceed 4mm.
- These figures cannot be guaranteed as they were taken in a test environment and cannot factor in other operational conditions.



TEMPORARY STATE whole.protect with edge trim

The wHOLE.**Protect** system in its temporary state has undergone independent structural engineer testing* by Parallax Structures to ensure suitability for pre- slab construction.

LOAD CAPACITIES - TEMPORARY STATE

UNIFORM LOAD CAPACITY (KG/M²)

| Product Name | Туре | Mesh Size | Grating Depth | 1200mm Span |
|-----------------------------------|--------|-------------|------------------|----------------|
| wHOLE. Protect Standard | WP04SD | 38mm x 38mm | 38mm | 152.96 |



The uniform distributed load capacity of wHOLE.**Protect** prior to concrete is 1.5kN/m² with a maximum single span of 1200mm. It can be safely used as a working platform comparable to the composite metal deck in its temporary state.

CONCENTRATE LOAD CAPACITY (KG)

| Product Name | Туре | Mesh Size | Grating Depth | 1200mm Span |
|-----------------------------------|--------|-------------|------------------|----------------|
| wHOLE. Protect Standard | WP04SD | 38mm x 38mm | 38mm | 91.77 |

The maximum concentrated load that can be applied to the wHOLE.**Protect** system directly above the point of support on the edge trim is 0.9kN.

* Please note: these figures cannot be guaranteed as they were taken in a test environment and cannot factor in other operational conditions.

WHOLE.PROTECT EDGE TRIM SELECTOR

| | Galv. steel edge trim thickness (mm) | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|-----|--|--|--|
| Edge trim depth | 1.2 1.6 | | 2.0 | | | |
| | Max | kimum cantilever (I | nm) | | | |
| 130 | 100 | х | 195 | | | |
| 150 | 50 | 100 | 185 | | | |
| 200 | 50 | 100 | 160 | | | |
| 250 | 50 | х | 135 | | | |
| 300 | х | 50 | 100 | | | |
| 350 | x | x | 50 | | | |

x - Not recommended

EDGE TRIM CONSTRAINTS:

- → Minimum basic yield strength, 280 N/mm².
- An absolute minimum 1.2mm material thickness to be used.
- The edge trim and restraint straps must be fixed to the composite deck or primary steel structure in accordance with TATA requirements.
- In the event that the edge trim becomes damaged during construction, the GRP grating should NOT be loaded and the damaged edge trim section is to be replaced prior to further loading of the GRP grating.
- Edge trim is to be restrained at 600mm centres along its length in accordance with TATA ComFlor requirements.
- Edge trims to have a minimum 50mm bearing beyond the deck recess to receive the GRP grating and the trim is to be fixed to the top of the steel members in the same manner as the decking and restrained by the restraint straps @ 600 c/c. The design of these fixings is outside the scope of these calculations.
- The analysis and calculations assume continuity of the edge trim where fixed to the beams and the edge trim is designed based on the maximum moments for plastic failure.
- Consider 1m width of edge trim with load distributed evenly along length via GRP grid. Grating to have 55mm bearing with load applied centrally through bearing of GRP.

SPANNING CAPABILITIES

→ GRP grating has a maximum span of 1200mm on the short span before supports are required. We can accommodate almost any length with adaptations. Please speak with us to discuss your requirements.



ORIGINAL STATE whole.protect grate only

The wHOLE.**Protect** Void Protection System uses high performance GRP (glass reinforced plastic) grating panels.

SLIP RESISTANT GRP GRIT TOP GRATING:

wHOLE.**Protect** products are made as a single mould of cross-threaded GRP (glass reinforced plastic) with a grit coating making it super strong, durable and slip resistant.

| Standard GRP Grit Top | | |
|-----------------------|----|--|
| Dry Reading | 69 | |
| Wet Reading | 65 | |

Measured using the Pendulum test method (WF rubber slider)

The UK Slip Resistance Group guide to slip resistance of a floor for able bodied pedestrians:

| Four S Pendulum Value | Potential for Slip |
|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Above 65 | Extremely Low |
| 35 to 65 | Low |
| 25 to 35 | Moderate |
| 25 and Below | High |

*To ensure that the above slip resistance levels are maintained, the panels should be kept clean.



PRODUCT INFORMATION TABLE

| Description: | High performance composite grating system | |
|--|---|--|
| Top finish: | Standard GRP Mesh Grit Top | |
| Slip Resistance Values | Dry Reading - 69 Wet Reading - 65 | |
| Stock colours: | Yellow (any RAL or BS colour subject to extended lead time) | |
| Thickness: | 38mm, 41mm (38mm + 3mm), 50mm | |
| Maximum panel sizes, dependent on grating type: | 3660mm x 1220mm 3010mm x 996mm 1985mm x 996mm | |
| Mesh patterns: | Grid 19mm ^{2,} 38mm ² , 50mm ² | |
| Chemical resistance: | Made from Iso resin as standard. Different chemical resistance available, please refer to the list below. | |
| Tolerances (including cut): | +/- 7mm width, length and diagonal | |
| Depth tolerances: | +/- 1.5mm | |
| Service temperatures: | -50 to 105°C | |
| Design life: | 25+ years (subject to traffic analysis) | |
| General use: | Standard pedestrian traffic | |
| Standards: Fire: | Tested to BS 476: Part 7: 1997 Class 2 | |

CHEMICAL RESISTANCES TABLE

| Chemical | Iso concentration (%) | Temperature F/°C | |
|----------------------|--------------------------|------------------|--|
| Acetic Acid | 50 | 125/52 | |
| Ammonium Hydroxide | 100 | 160/71 | |
| Ammonium Chloride | All | 170/77 | |
| Ammonium Bicarbonate | 15 | 125/52 | |
| Ammonium Sulfate | All | 170/77 | |
| Benzene | All | N/R | |
| Benzoic Acid | SAT | 150/66 | |
| Borax | SAT | 170/77 | |
| Calcium Carbonate | All | 170/77 | |
| Calcium Nitrate | All | 180/82 | |
| Carbon Tetrachloride | 1000 | N/R | |
| Chlorine Water | SAT | 80/27 | |
| Citric Acid | All | 170/77 | |
| Copper Chloride | All | 170/77 | |
| Copper Cyanide | All | 170/77 | |
| Copper Nitrate | All | 170/77 | |
| Ferric Chloride | All | 170/77 | |
| Ferrous Chloride | All | 170/77 | |
| Formaldehyde | 50 | 75/24 | |
| Gasoline | 100 | 80/27 | |
| Glucose | 100 | 170/77 | |
| Glycerin | 100 | 150/66 | |
| Lithium Choride | SAT | 150/66 | |
| Magnesium Chloride | All | 170/66 | |
| Magnesium Nitrate | All | 140/60 | |
| Magnesium Sulfate | All | 170/77 | |
| Mercuric Chloride | 100 | 150/66 | |
| Mercurous Chloride | All | 140/50 | |
| Nickel Chloride | All | 170/77 | |
| Nickel Sulfate | All | 170/77 | |
| Nitric Acid | 20 | 70/21 | |
| Oxalic Acid | All | 75/24 | |
| Potassium Chloride | All | 170/77 | |
| Potassium Dichromate | All | 170/77 | |
| Potassium Nitrate | All | 170/77 | |
| Potassium Sulfate | All | 170/77 | |
| Propylene Glycol | All | 170/77 | |
| Sodium Cyanide | All | 170/77 | |
| Sodium Nitrate | All | 170/77 | |
| Sodium Chloride | All | 160/71 | |
| | 100 | 1/0/// | |
| Zinc Nitrate | All | 1/0/77 | |

ALL = All concentrations N/R = Not Recommended SAT = Saturated Solution

The corrosion resistance data listed above is for general information only. Resin manufacturers have provided test data which indicates that the specific resin can withstand the corrosion conditions listed above. wHOLE.**Protect** believes the data to be true and accurate but no guarantee is expressed or implied as to specific performance. Testing for specific environments is recommended. Our responsibility for claims arising from breach of warranty, negligence or otherwise is limited to the purchase price of the material sold by wHOLE.**Protect**.

The work of FASET members, sub-contracting and training, is often extremely challenging, complex and is far from simple.

- Tony Seddon, Managing Director, FASET.

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4. MODIFICATION & INSTALLATION

FABRICATION & ON SITE INSTALLATION

All panels can be modified and cut to fit the void on site by our team of specialist installers using a variety of cutting methods.

A major advantage of wHOLE.**Protect** is the off-site manufacturing of the GRP and edge shutter to suit specific void requirements.

Our teams work to exacting standards and can adapt and modify to suit design changes on site. We take pride in our craftsmanship aligning neatly cut panels with the grid cut outs - to present a tidy installation.

| | Product Name | Туре | Mesh Size | Fixing Type | Fixing Spacing |
|---|------------------------------------|--------|-------------|--|-------------------|
| | wHOLE. Protect Standard | WP04SD | 38mm x 38mm | M CLIPS' ^{/#} / C CLIPS ⁺ | |
| | wHOLE. Protect Micro | WP11MC | 19mm x 19mm | WASHERS & | x1 EACH CORNER |
| | wHOLE. Protect Solid Top | WP04ST | Solid | DF3-W- 5.5x80º/# | 1000mm MAX |
| ٩ | wHOLE. Protect Maxi | WP05MX | 50mm x 50mm | M CLIPS*/# | |

WHOLE.PROTECT PANEL FIXINGS

* Stitched screw length dependent on M Clip depth.

- + Use supplied bolt
- Countersunk screws
- # If fixing direct to steel, ensure fixing is suitable to base thickness



INSTALLATION CLIPS



M-CLIP: Direct fixing to support underneath

| Grating | Open Mesh | Pultruded |
|---------|--------------------|-------------|
| Depth | 25mm / 38mm / 50mm | 25mm / 38mm |

- 5.5mm diameter self-tapping screw
- · Screw recessed to prevent trip hazard
- · Compatible with numerous bolt and screw types
- Stainless steel 316

L-CLIP: Direct fixing to support underneath

| Grating | Open Mesh |
|---------|-------------|
| Depth | 25mm / 38mm |

- 5.5mm diameter self-tapping screw
- Screw sunken to prevent trip hazard
- · Compatible with numerous bolt and screw types
- Stainless steel 316

TWINGRID (MINI MESH) M CLIP:

Direct fixing to support underneath

| Grating | TwinGrid / Mini Mesh |
|---------|----------------------|
| Depth | 14mm / 30mm / 38mm |

- 5.5mm diameter self-tapping screw
- Screw sunken to prevent trip hazard
- Compatible with numerous bolt and screw types
- Stainless steel 316

C-CLIP: For joining bound edges of 2 panels together

| Grating | Open Mesh |
|---------|--------------------|
| Depth | 25mm / 38mm / 50mm |

- · M6 Bolt with socket head
- · Nut fixed in place for easy installation
- Stainless steel 316



J-CLAMP: For clamping to the underside of supports

| 0 | Grating | Open Mesh | TwinGrid / Mini Mesh | Solid Top | Pultruded |
|---|---------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| C | Depth | 25mm / 38mm / 50mm | 14mm / 30mm / 38mm | 28mm / 41mm / 54mm | 25mm / 38mm / 50mm |

- Used where direct fixing through supports are not permitted
- · Can be used with most grating top clips
- · Does not require tightening from underneath
- M8 & M6 bolt compatible (hex nuts required)
- Stainless steel 316



DOME FIXING (WLP): Direct fixing to support underneath

| Grating | TwinGrid / Mini Mesh | Solid Top |
|---------|----------------------|--------------------|
| Depth | 14mm / 30mm / 38mm | 28mm / 41mm / 54mm |

- 5.5mm diameter self-tapping screw
- · Screw recessed to prevent trip hazard
- Compatible with numerous bolt and screw types
- Stainless steel 316

5. DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS



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Important factors to be considered during the early stages of design.

The Product Information and Technical Specifications in this brochure are based on the following Design Assumptions:

- → wHOLE. Protect GRP to be supported on 4 sides and act as 2 way spanning with maximum ratio 2:1, based on a maximum span of 1200mm in any one direction. Where the opening is greater than 1200mm, intermediate support is to be provided to the wHOLE.
 Protect GRP panel in accordance with FibreGrid[™] and wHOLE.Protect literature.
- Standard edge trim restrained at 600mm c/c with restraint straps as per TATA requirements. Note the design of these straps is outside the scope of these calculations.
- Maximum unsupported slab edge cantilever distances are in accordance with TATA ComFlor manual and wHOLE.**Protect** typical details.
- Grating acts as fall protection system installed with the composite floor deck at each level as works progress. Worst case assumption is for a person to fall on to the wHOLE.**Protect** GRP from the level above prior to the upper wHOLE.**Protect** GRP being in place.
- → Global short-term serviceability of the section is not critical as the grating and edge trim is supported along its entire length by the primary steelwork. The trim provides temporary fall protection and will also be restrained by the concrete slab in the permanent condition, therefore edge trim to be checked for plastic failure capacity only. However, the local serviceability of the cross sections is to be determined within the analysis for comparison of site testing.
- Material strength S280 N/mm² galvanised steel.
- Section not subject to axial compression or torsional forces.
- → Temporary load duration is 'very short-term'.



YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED

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CAN I RUN SERVICES THROUGH THE WHOLE.PROTECT SYSTEM?

Yes. For small pipes and cables, these can potentially run through the wHOLE.**Protect** Standard (WP04SD) or wHOLE.**Protect** Micro (WP11MC) grating. However, the wHOLE.**Protect** GRP can be easily modified on site to accommodate larger services. Give us a call early and we can review each requirement specifically.

NO GAPS - IS IT POSSIBLE TO FULLY CLOSE THE VOID?

Yes. Our wHOLE.**Protect** Solid (WP04ST) system provides complete peace of mind, offering a solid-top finish ensuring no items can pass through.

? CAN THE SIZE OF THE VOID BE MAINTAINED?

Yes, however....

- The beam size will determine the setting out of the steelwork.
- The trimming steelworks may need to be adapted to suit the specific scenario.
- Material must not be overlapped. Minimum beam width of 100mm required to avoid overlapping of material.

? WHAT'S THE LARGEST VOID I CAN COVER USING THE WHOLE.PROTECT SYSTEM?

For our standard wHOLE.**Protect** (WP04SD) the maximum void width is 1200 mm although we can accommodate almost any length. Should your void be larger that this, give us a call early and we can guide you through the options.

WHICH DESIGN SCENARIO / BEARING DO YOU REQUIRE?



? WILL WHOLE.PROTECT CREATE A TRIP HAZARD?

No. Our CAD design team detail different bearing scenarios to ensure that wHOLE.**Protect** is installed as flush to the concrete slab as possible eliminating trip hazards. Call us to discuss your bearing requirement.

WILL THE SYSTEM WORK WITH THRU-DECK SHEAR STUDS ON THE ADJACENT BEAMS?

Yes. The wHOLE.**Protect** system can accommodate shear studs to the beams trimming the void, although this is dependent on the size of beam and location of the slab. It might be that the beam needs to be moved to maintain void size and accommodate shear studs. Please see diagrams below or give us a call and we'll guide you through the options.



CAN I USE WHOLE.PROTECT SYSTEM WITH STRUCTURAL ROOF DECKING AS WELL AS FLOOR DECKING?

Yes. Although more commonly used with floor decking, we have successfully installed wHOLE.**Protect** on a range of roof decking projects. The grating can be supported either directly on the structural steelwork, directly onto the deck or on a specially adapted flashing.

? WHAT IS THE MAXIMUM LOAD THE GRP CAN TAKE?

The maximum load varies depending on the wHOLE. **Protect** product specified and when and how it is to be used e.g. whether in its Temporary state (i.e. when we install it) or in its Permanent state (i.e. when the concrete is cast). It's best to give us a call to discuss the conditions of use. See load tables on page 10.

To ensure the smooth installation of wHOLE.**Protect**, coordination is required during the deck design phase.

Early engagement with the Composite Profiles team is key.

Talk to us and we can advise 01202 659 237 sales@wholeprotect.co.uk

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