



INTER-COMMUNAL SPORTS CENTRE IN SELESTAT

Structure: [Multi-sport centre](#)

Year of initial inauguration: 1981

Year of Salle Germain Spatz renovation: 2018

Total area of the building: 6.500 m²

Capacity: **approx. 2,200 spectators**

Sport Architecture
(France)

THE INTER-COMMUNAL SPORTS CENTRE IN SELESTAT, ALSACE, IS HOME TO SÉLESTAT ALSACE HANDBALL, CURRENTLY IN THE SECOND DIVISION.

THE MAIN HANDBALL COURT WAS DEDICATED IN 2012 TO GERMAIN SPATZ, AN HISTORIC FIGURE IN LOCAL HANDBALL AND IN 2018 THE REMOVABLE MONDOFLEX FLOORING INSTALLED IN 2010 WAS FINALLY REPLACED WITH A FIXED SYSTEM, AGAIN SUPPLIED BY MONDO.

"The decision to install a new sports flooring for the handball field was made in accordance with the need to cover the old parquet, which had caused problems for many years because of tiles becoming detached at the joints. During analysis of the call for tenders, MONDO rubber sport flooring received the most satisfactory assessment (not the least) as regards sustainability and respect for the environment." Hugo Briot, Head of the Union of Sélestat Local Councils.

The main hall of the Inter-Communal Sports Centre in Sélestat (CSI), Alsace, was built and opened to the public in 1981. [Virtual Visit of CSI](#)

Today, the multi-purpose facility has venues for judo, fencing and weightlifting, while the main hall has an indoor handball court, used for training and competitions by the local Sélestat Alsace Handball team, currently competing in Second Division.

In 2012, this hall was named after Germain Spatz, who was one of the founders of the team in 1967, President of the club 2002-2009 and President of the Ligue d'Alsace de Handball 1996-2008. The Sélestat team competes in the Second Division of the NHL, renamed Proligue in the 2016/2017 season, after merging with the First Division.

Thanks to this promotion, Sélestat Alsace Handball was able to use new funds in order to replace the flooring of the CIS central handball court permanently.

"PROBLEMATIC" PARQUET

The C gym, with the [handball court](#), was built in 1981, rebuilt in 1988 following a fire and expanded in 2010.

In 2010, after the extension of the gym, the handball court was prepared with a wooden floor. Unfortunately, the system - produced by a well-known Danish company - immediately presented major problems, with material becoming detached at the joints.

For this reason, the sports parquet was covered with a removable Mondoflex Performance rubber sports system in order to allow inspections in relation to the complaint underway.

THE NEW FLOORING AND ITS RESULTS

Players, even though the removable Mondoflex solution required annual action to fix the joints underneath, immediately expressed their satisfaction with the grip and stability of the new rubber flooring. From the point of view of routine maintenance, the new Mondoflex solution proved to be ideal for a [handball arena](#), since the "pitch" used by the players was so easy to remove from the floor.

In 2018, Sélestat Alsace Handball was finally able to remove the old parquet and see a handball court installed with a fixed sports flooring.

During the tender stage, the solution proposed by MONDO, again using a [Mondoflex](#) top layer, obtained the best score.

In addition to the technical and performance features demonstrated over the 8 years using the removable system, the Mondoflex finish also proved to be an advantageous choice in environmental terms: the very low VOC emissions assured by the Greenguard Gold Certificate mean that the product contributes to the quality of the air in the sports centre and classification as solid urban waste also facilitates disposal at the end of its working life.

Today, the CSI's main gym can at last be used to the full by the Sélestat Alsace Handball team, during regular training sessions and home games in front of an audience of 2,200 supporters.



