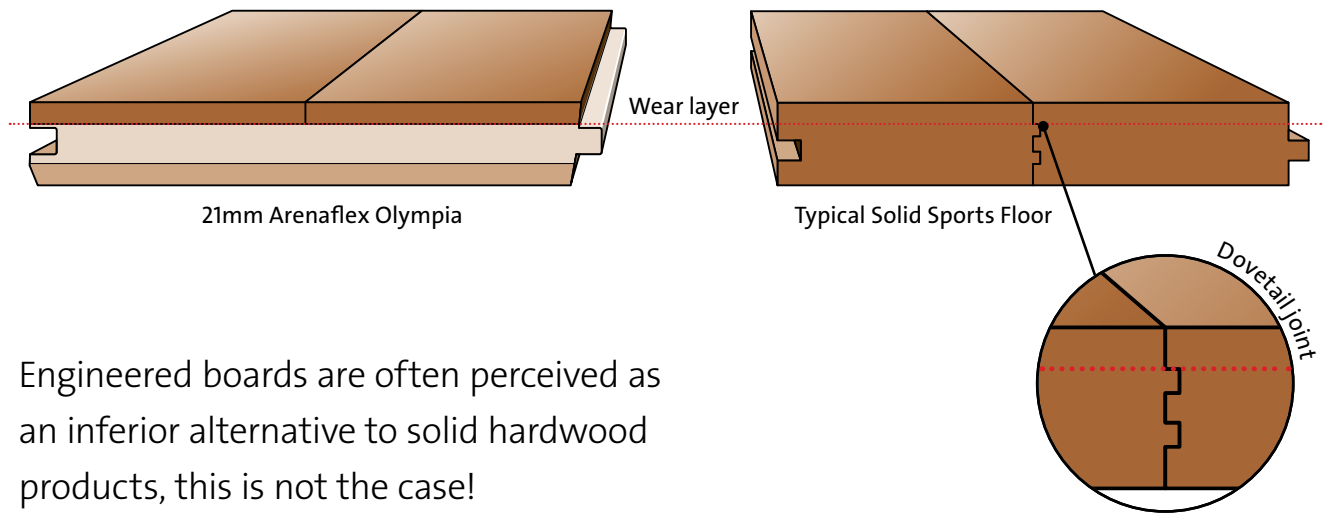




# The Stable, Sustainable Alternative to a solid hardwood sports floor



Engineered boards are often perceived as an inferior alternative to solid hardwood products, this is not the case!

Questions & Answers	21mm Arenaflex Olympia	Typical Solid Sports Floor
<i>Which is more stable?</i>	70% more stable than solid	Expect gaps across the floor
<i>What is the sandable wear layer?</i>	6mm	3mm above the middle dovetail joint
<i>How many times can you sand the floor?</i>	10+. Possibly many more as boards remain flat	+/- 10. Possibly less due to cupping or crowning
<i>Do I need an expansion gap in the field of the floor?</i>	No	Yes
<i>Can I use underfloor heating?</i>	Engineered floors are less likely to movement especially Oak and Ash	Gaps are to be expected in solid floors especially in Beech and Maple
<i>Which makes more effective use of slow growing hardwood?</i>	8% of hardwood wasted at the end of lifecycle (6mm)	72% of hardwood wasted at end of lifecycle (22mm)
<i>Which will cost less to keep looking like new over the next 25 years?</i>	Engineered hardwood sports floors need less severe maintenance	Solid sports floors need more up keep thus costing more over the life of the sports floor
<i>Will I see budget savings on my project?</i>	Yes	No
<i>What species can I choose from?</i>	Oak, Beech, Ash, Canadian Maple and others on request	Beech, European Maple (Sycamore), Fumed Beech

