# 26 YEARS ON ARTIFICIAL GRASS



### NORWAY





- 4,5 mill. inhabitants
- 86 km2 each

- 386.975 km2
- length 1880 km
- 500.000 in the capital, Oslo, our far largest city



- 500 000 members
- 80 000 of them are girls
- more than 300 000 matches a year
- almost 2000 clubs

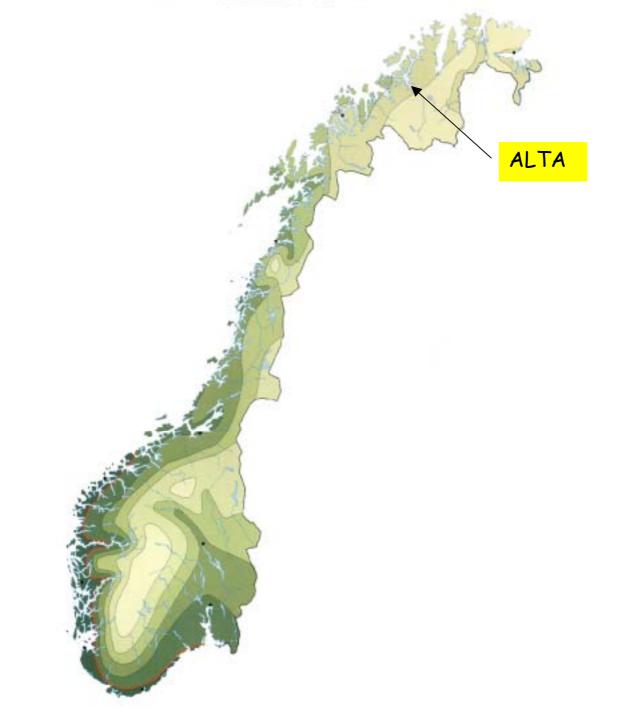
- 325 000 acktive players
- 20 000 teams
- 100 000 voluntary workers
  150 artificial pitches

### NFF's AIM

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Give everyone who want to play football access to good quality pitches for matches and training, both in- and outdoor.









# CHALLENGES

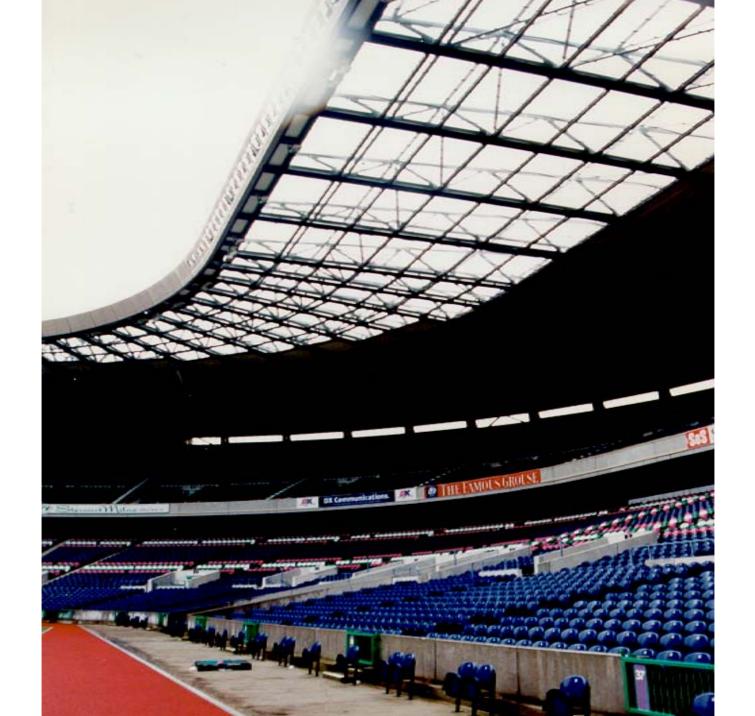
- THE CLIMATE GIVES US GREAT CHALLENGES IN THE WINTERTIME
- WE CAN'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT THE WEATHER, BUT WE CAN DO SOMETHING TO PROTECT US FROM IT



















#### The number of days in the football season outside the grass growing period in Norway 1999-2001

STADIUM	AVERAGE DAYS IN THE FOOTBALL SEASON			
	SPRING	AUTUMN	TOTAL	
Alfheim, Tromsø	52	31	83	
Aspmyra, Bodø	28	20	48	
Lerkendal, Trondheim	38	42	80	
Molde	19	10	29	
Åråsen, Lillestrøm	9	8	17	
Nadderud, Oslo	12	17	29	
Marienlyst, Drammen	8	18	26	
Odd, Skien	12	12	24	
Stavanger	23	0	23	
Kristiansand	4	0	4	

#### The number of matches in the football season outside the grass growing periode in Norway 1999-2001

STADIUM	MATCHES BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER THE GRASS GROWING PERIOD 1999-2001				
	BEFORE	DURING	AFTER	TOTAL	
Alfheim, Tromsø	14	26	7	47	
Aspmyra, Bodø	11	40	3	54	
Lerkendal, Trondheim	8	63	11	82	
Molde	7	62	4	73	
Åråsen, Lillestrøm	4	55	4	63	
Nadderud, Oslo	4	105	5	114	
Marienlyst, Drammen	3	75	6	84	
Odd, Skien	5	73	5	83	
Stavanger	7	83	0	90	

## COST PR. USED HOURE FOR TOP CLUBS STADIUM

- Brann stadion
- Alfheim
- Åråsen
- Lerkendal
- Nadderud
- Marienlyst
- Molde

5.000,- E 3.600,- E 3.600,- E 2.700,- E 1.800,- E 1.100,- E 600,- E





































## NORWEGIAN FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

- Accepted artificial grass for 15 years, all division's except P.L.
- In premiere legue from 2003
- UEFA-standard top 3 division's men and top 2 division's women
- Class 2 for grassroot football
- Underheating system from 2002

#### **BASED ON**

- Testing artificial grass in lab., field, and by top players for 23 years
- More and more acceptance by players and trainers
- Acceptance by UEFA and FIFA

## ADVANTAGES

- More use of he pitches and stadiums for matches and training
- Multi use of stadias
- Allways proper line markings
- Never cancel matches due to rain
- Better TV-product
- Lower running costs pr. houre

# ONGOING PROJECKTS

- Lab. tests
- Field-testing new and "old" pitches
- Field-tests on natural grass pitches
- Testing with top level players
- Nordic working group
- Influence on the environment
- Fire
- Publishing litterture about building
- and maintenancing pitches









#### ADEATER