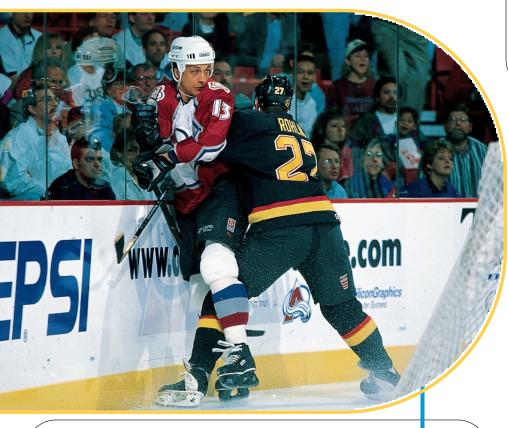


Ice Rink Systems



THE BOARD SYSTEM WITH IMPACT

All hockey dasher boards must be firmly anchored to their respective surfaces. This anchoring normally eliminates any movement from the top of the dasher section to the ice surface. The Crystaplex CheckFlex dasher board system has impact absorption and give that starts at the ice level and carries all the way to the top of the glass. Each dasher section has the capability of operating and absorbing player impact, creating the CheckFlex movement that the players have been demanding.

EVERYONE BENEFITS FROM CHECKFLEX

By adding CheckFlex to a new or existing dasher board system, you are enhancing the qualities that made your original dasher boards popular with fans, operations staff and players. The fan or TV viewer still benefits from an unobstructed view and better sight lines. The operations staff now has the added benefit of a steel ice dam, making changeovers even easier. Finally, the player who demands clean and true play off the

glass now has the impact absorption and increased board flexibility of the Crystaplex CheckFlex Dasher Board System.

"The new St. Paul Arena will be a state-of-the-art hockey facility. We need something that is safe for our players and yet doesn't compromise the sight lines so important for our fans. When you combine added safety with fan experience, there is really only one choice—Crystaplex's CheckFlex system."

> Doug Risebrough Sr. VP Hockey Operations/General Manager Minnesota Wild

Patent Pending

CheckFlex[™]

CHECKFLEX™ IMPACT-ABSORBING DASHER BOARD SYSTEM

Crystaplex, a division of Athletica[™] —the world's largest manufacturer of dasher boards for ice and in-line hockey—has set the standards for technological advances in the design and manufacturing of hockey dasher board systems. At Crystaplex, the hockey player has always been at the forefront of what's important. That's why Crystaplex developed CheckFlex, the world's only working flexible dasher board system.

CHOICE OF THE PROS

While the advantages of seamless glass systems for spectators are clear, players demand a board system with flexibility and impact absorption that may help prevent injury. As a result, the NHL[®] has required installation of flexible board components in all NHL arenas with 100% seamless glass.



CheckFlex[™]

CHECKFLEX BOARD SYSTEMS ARE NOW FOUND IN:

The Molson Centre Home of the Montreal Canadiens

Nassua Veterans Memorial Coliseum Home of the New York Islanders

> Canadian Airlines Saddledome Home of the Calgary Flames

Gaylord Entertainment Center Home of the Nashville Predators

The Igloo Home of the Pittsburgh Penguins

The Corel Centre Home of the Ottawa Senators

GM Place Home of the Vancouver Canucks

The Ice Palace Home of the Tampa Bay Lightning

The Pepsi Center Home of the Colorado Avalanche

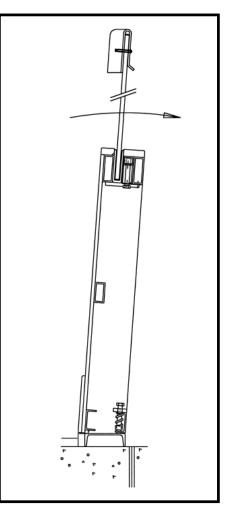
Marine Midland Arena Home of the Buffalo Sabres

THE WORKING FLEXIBLE DASHER BOARD SYSTEM, FROM TOP TO BOTTOM

The CheckFlex system operates with the assistance of a proprietary 2" steel ice dam, which not only reduces the amount of labor required in changeovers, but allows rotational movement of the boards starting just above ice level. The ice dam allows each dasher panel the ability to flex, allowing up to 3" of impact absorption at 42" from the ice surface.

A specially designed clip allows each glass shield to move in conjunction with its supporting dasher board, increasing the total impact absorption and taking the term "check" to a whole new level.

Players use the radius sections of a rink as offensive and defensive hot-zones for developing play. Player-to-board impact in the corners is inevitable. CheckFlex Boards work the same way in the radius sections as they do in the straight sections, absorbing player impact from the ice all the way to the top of the glass, creating the ultimate in dasher board movement.



Rotational Movement of Boards and Shielding



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