

Case Study:

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More than a municipal soccer stadium, it is a multi-purpose arena used for various entertainment and sport events. Satio Tomita, architect of the Barueri Arena project sought to replace the original metal guard rail with a glass solution that would provide maximum visibility and safety.

SentryGlas® enabled the use of a thinner, lighter laminated glass solution, one with better impact resistance, higher transparency, and less sensitivity to moisture and other weathering effects. The laminated glass also complies with ASTM E 2353 and ASTM E 2358 standards for glass in railing systems.

SentryGlas® also enabled the use of larger glass panels, meeting the required pressure loads and creating a transparent barrier around the football field.







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Specifications:

- Laminated Glass:
 12 mm (½") tempered glass
 1.52 mm (60 mil) SentryGlas®
- Panel Dimension:
 1.52 m x 1.95 m (5 x 6.4 ft)

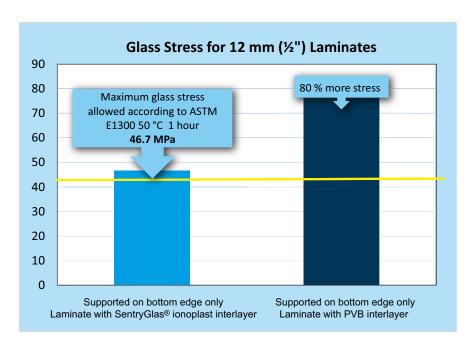
Using finite element analysis, it was possible to prove that self-supporting PVB solutions would require thicker and heavier glass. In addition, SentryGlas® weathering data supported an exposed edge design, thus, enabling a total obstacle- free view.

The post-breakage performance of SentryGlas® laminated glass increases safety and protects people below the glass from the danger of falling glass.

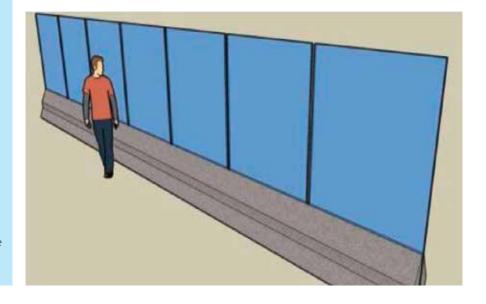
The higher the tension, the greater the risk of glass breakage. The ASTM standard allows a maximum tension in the glass according to a specified time duration and exposure temperature.

Lighter façade panels enable more subtle supporting structures

For decades, interlayers made of polyvinyl butyral (PVB) have been the industry standard when producing laminated safety glass. Architects are well aware of the possibilities and limitations of such glass when used extensively in façade engineering, for roofing and window panels. In contrast, SentryGlas® enables an entirely new approach because the interlayer is over 100 times stiffer and five times stronger than PVB. As a consequence, there is an almost perfect transmission of load between two laminated sheets of glass. even at high temperatures, leading to the excellent flexural behavior of the glass when under load - also under direct sunlight in high summer. Accordingly, laminates with SentryGlas® show less than half the rate of deflection when compared to laminates with PVB, when under the same load, and thus almost the same behavior as monolithic glass of the same thickness.









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As well as improved strength and stiffness, other benefits of SentryGlas® include:

- Safety: In the event of breakage, glass fragments remain firmly bonded to the interlayer, reducing the chance for injury
- Security: SentryGlas® can be used in glazing that withstands bullets, hurricane-force winds and even bomb blasts
- **Durability:** SentryGlas® is extremely durable and resistant to clouding, even after years of exposure
- Design Versatility: SentryGlas® can be used in glass manufactured flat or curved, including annealed, toughened, heat-strengthened, spandrel, wired, patterned and color tinted glass
- **UV control:** SentryGlas® is available with or without UV transmittance

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