

REFERENCE SYSTEM QB UPEC

Systems of laminate floor coverings

This document explains decisions from certification committee *QB UPEC – Systems of laminate floor coverings* regarding the implementation of the reference system.

- Committee of 12/10/2016

Reading of the reference system:

- ✓ **Reference system § 3.4 « Sampling », « Sampling in the follow-up context »:** The certificate holder shall send to CSTB a list of minimum 20 sales points or warehouses (from different retailers). The sent list will stay confidential at CSTB.
In the case of a non-availability of the certified products with a recent production at the retailer's place, CSTB may order products online, or the product will be asked to the producer directly as usual.
The payment will be settled by CSTB and then invoiced to the producer/certificate holder

- Committee of 07/03/2017

Reading of the reference system:

- ✓ **Technical and administrative appendix § 1.1.4 « Table 7 »:** For follow-up tests at CSTB, comparison between dimensional measurements and nominal values of the product and also homogeneity of the measurements in the same batch will be checked at CSTB, the conformity will be given only on the homogeneity of the measures between planks. The conformity of the measured values to the nominal values of the manufacturer will be checked during audit. In addition the analysis of the customers' complaints will be done during the audit in order to determine if critical variations are observed on this point at the time of the installation and generate complaints.
- ✓ **Technical and administrative appendix § 1.1.2 « Manufacturer's inspection »:** Certificate holders shall implement internal controls of the certified underlays on each batch after reception at their manufacturing site according to standard PR NF EN 16354. At least the overall thickness shall be controlled with tolerances of $\pm 10\%$ from certificate nominal value and the implementation of this control will be checked from follow-up audits 2018.
- ✓ **Technical and administrative appendix § 5.1 « Case of an initial admission/extension application » and FICHE TYPE 5:** Value of compressive strength CS can be written on QB UPEC certificates. This declarative value will be added on certificate only if certificate holder gives test reports performed according to standard PR NF EN 16354 and validated by underlay supplier.
- ✓ **Technical and administrative appendix § 2.2.6 « Procedure »:** The wedges are tightened in order to maintain the sample during the test with a peripheral gap of 1 or 2 mm between the sample and the wedges.

Nota : This documents is cancelled when the reference system will be renewed.