

Certification in a nutshell

Textile floor coverings

The product is certified by a certification body accredited according to ISO CEI 17 065 by a body recognized by E.A. (European cooperation for Accreditation).

The certified characteristics are the following:

According to Product Standard NF EN 1307+A1:

- Identification characteristics
- Fibre composition of the use surface
- Total mass per unit area*
- Effective mass per unit area*
- Total thickness*

- Nominal values stated by the manufacturer

According to Standards NF EN ISO 10140 and NF EN ISO 354:

- Acoustic performance (optional): Impact sound insulation, Sound absorption
- Sound absorption during walking test, class A

According to complementary specifications:

- UPEC rating (wear-puncturing)

* These characteristics avec more stringent tolerances than those of the product standard NF EN 1307+A1

The certification reference system is being developed by gathering the views of the different stakeholders:

- professionals producing the product and/or providing the service,
- consumers, users, specifiers,
- administrations, technical experts.

The certification reference system and the valid certificates (or the list of the certified products) are available to the public, free of charge and without any identification information requirement, via a website or any other means.

Whenever technically possible, the certified products are specifically marked, at least with reference to the mark.

The certified characteristics are assessed under the responsibility of the certification body, on the basis of the following checks:

	Admission	Continuous surveillance
Performance an audit of the production by a qualified technical auditor: - Supervision of controls and records of the production: raw materials, processes, end products - Supervision of the quality management provisions: metrology, packaging, storage, traceability, marking of the product, handling nonconformities and customer complaints - Supervision of tests on certified characteristics, if applicable.	Yes	Yes Frequency: 1 audit every 12 months
Performing tests in a laboratory recognised by the certification body (independent and competent): - Sampling by the certification body on the production site	Yes	Yes Frequency: every 12 months

This data sheet is a synthesis and aims at a quick understanding by any specifier of the scope and assessment rules for the certification.

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