



Designing for Education

 **Tarkett**



Designing Healthy, Sustainable Schools

At Tarkett, we believe great learning begins with healthy, sustainable spaces. That's why our education solutions are designed not only for durability and performance, but to actively support the well-being of students and educators while lowering environmental impact. From healthier indoor air and acoustic comfort to safer surfaces and circular recycling pathways, the floors specified today can be taken back and recycled into new flooring tomorrow through our ReStart® program.



Sustainability & Circularity – Low circular carbon footprints, independently verified through Environmental Product Declarations, with products that can be **recycled into new flooring again and again through our ReStart® program - truly circular recycling that turns floors back into floors.**



Healthier Indoor Environments – Low-VOC materials and patented AirMaster® technology to reduce allergens and fine dust, paired with acoustic options that achieve up to 6-star AAC ratings for improved focus and comfort.



Comfort, Safety & Inclusion – Cushioned and ergonomic solutions that reduce fatigue, safety floors that meet and exceed slip-resistance standards, and inclusive design features like colour zoning and Light Reflectance Values to support navigation.



Performance & Long-Term Value – Market-leading durability and lifecycle value, with advanced surface treatments that resist wear, and reduce maintenance needs to keep schools running smoothly with minimal disruption.

By combining these strengths, Tarkett helps schools create environments that are healthier, safer and more sustainable spaces designed for today's learners and tomorrow's circular future.





Creating Environments That Nurture Body & Mind

Healthy schools start from the ground up. Flooring isn't just a surface, it plays a vital role in maintaining indoor air quality, supporting physical comfort, and shaping the emotional tone of learning spaces. Tarkett's solutions combine low-emission materials, ergonomic comfort, and thoughtful design to enhance the health and well-being of both students and educators.



Indoor Air Quality (IAQ)

Our low-VOC materials support healthier indoor air by minimising emissions, while our patented AirMaster® technology goes a step further, actively capturing fine dust particles and reducing allergens. Together, these solutions protect sensitive children and staff, whilst supporting school-wide health and safety goals.



Physical Comfort

Cushioned surfaces reduce fatigue and joint strain for teachers and create safe, resilient foundations for play and movement-based learning. Flooring that helps regulate thermal comfort ensures consistent, supportive environments across climates. Thermal comfort has been shown to improve engagement and concentration, with 18–25°C the optimal temperature range for learning.



Emotional & Social Well-being

A calm, well-designed environment supports emotional regulation, social connection and focus. Floors that reduce noise, feel warm underfoot and create a pleasant visual atmosphere help students feel secure and ready to learn. Research shows that students who feel connected to their school experience higher self-esteem, better emotional regulation and improved learning outcomes.



Acoustics & Emotional Well-being

Quieter spaces mean calmer, more focused students. Noise is one of the most disruptive forces in education, undermining communication and concentration. A noisy classroom can reduce speech intelligibility by up to 70%. Tarkett's acoustic flooring reduces airborne and impact sound, creating spaces that are calmer, more inclusive, and better suited to learning.



Noise Control in Classrooms

Classrooms of 30 students generate around 50dB of ambient noise, forcing teachers to raise their voices. Acoustic floors absorb sound, improving clarity and reducing distraction. This is why managing acoustics is vital for collaboration and efficiency, especially as children's listening skills are still developing.



Reducing Stress & Anxiety

Quieter environments lower stress, especially for students with ADHD, auditory sensitivities or learning difficulties. Inadequate acoustics strain cognitive resources, reducing concentration and comprehension.



Inclusive Sound Environments

In shared zones such as libraries, open-plan classrooms and corridors, Tarkett's acoustic solutions help ensure every voice is heard and every student feels comfortable. By reducing background noise and supporting clear communication, we create spaces where all learners, including those with sensory sensitivities or diverse needs, can participate and thrive.



Brisbane Grammar School, Queensland
Design by Wilson Architects

Designing Safer, Smarter Spaces

Safety in schools goes beyond compliance. It's about creating environments where students can learn, play and move with confidence. Tarkett's flooring solutions exceed safety standards, combining slip resistance, shock absorption and static control to deliver peace of mind across every space.



Slip Resistance You Can Rely On

All Tarkett Education floors meet or exceed Australian standards. Granit Safe.T provides warranted slip resistance to help reduce accidents in bathrooms, canteens, and high-traffic entries. Slips, trips, and falls are among the leading causes of injury for school-aged children, and choosing fit-for-purpose flooring is one of the simplest ways to mitigate this risk.



Shock Absorption & Comfort in Motion

Tarkett Omnisports flooring offers 25 - 35% improved shock absorption, protecting joints, reducing fatigue and helping to prevent injuries in multi-use and high-performance sports areas. Shock-absorbing floors also enhance overall quality of physical education spaces by supporting comfort, safety and confidence.



Static Control for Digital Learning Spaces

In technology-rich environments such as IT labs and STEM classrooms, Tarkett's static-control flooring prevents electrostatic discharge, protecting both students and sensitive equipment.



Designing for Inclusion: Flooring that Guides and Supports

Inclusive education requires spaces that support independence and confidence. Tarkett's flooring goes beyond aesthetics to provide visual guidance, reduce anxiety through colour zoning, and improve mobility access for students with physical disabilities or neurodivergence.



Visual Guidance

Strategic colour contrasts and Light Reflectance Values (LRVs) improve orientation, highlight transitions and enhance navigation for students with low vision or cognitive challenges. High-contrast LRVs between floors and walls can improve depth perception, highlight key areas such as stairways and help prevent accidents.



Wayfinding with Colour

Zoning through flooring design helps define learning areas, quiet zones and social spaces, reducing anxiety in complex environments. Flooring can act as a subtle wayfinding tool, guiding students and staff seamlessly through spaces.



Mobility Access

Smooth, low-resistance floors enhance rollability for wheelchairs and mobility aids, ensuring that learning spaces are accessible and barrier-free.



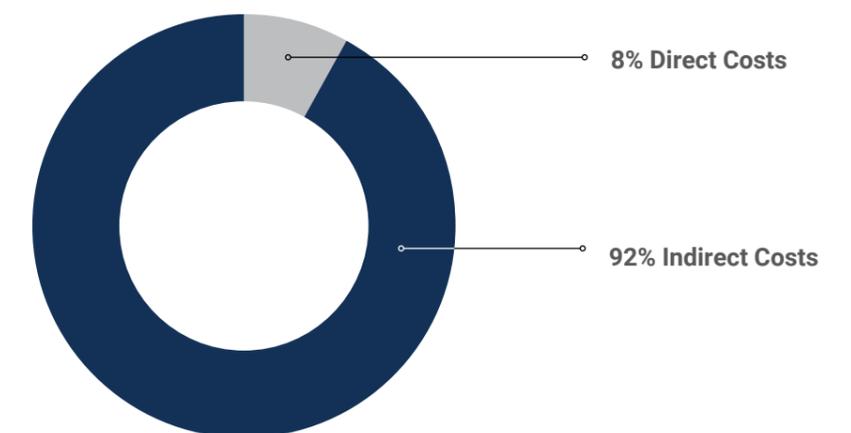
Performance, Lifecycle & Return on Investment

Educational infrastructure is a long-term investment, and Tarkett delivers lasting value. **Our iQ Vinyl flooring range is known for having some of the lowest lifecycle costs on the market**, thanks to its extreme durability, easy maintenance, and long lifespan.

iQ Vinyl floors can be dry-buffed to restore their surface without waxing or stripping, significantly reducing maintenance labour and chemical use. This helps schools lower both their environmental impact and ongoing operating costs. In high-traffic areas, our flooring maintains its appearance and performance year after year, even under heavy-wear.

By choosing Tarkett, schools invest not only in quality design and well-being, but in a flooring solution that offers measurable cost efficiency, performance stability, and long-term reliability. That's value that goes well beyond the surface.

In flooring projects, upfront costs are only 8% - covering purchase and installation. The real investment lies in lifecycle performance, where 92% of costs come from maintenance, cleaning, repair, and renewal.



The Power of Colour in Learning & Well-being



Harnessing colour as a tool for focus, identity & well-being

Colour in schools is more than decorative - it directly influences behaviour, memory and emotional balance. Tarkett's approach recognises how colour needs evolve with age, from bright stimulation in early years to muted calm in higher education.

0-5 Years:

Exploration & Emotional Safety

Young children learn through sensory play. **Warm, saturated colours** like yellows, oranges, and soft reds support curiosity, motor development, and emotional comfort. Colour zoning on the floor can help structure routines and define learning areas. Utilise strong contrasts to aid visual development and spatial awareness.

6-11 Years:

Structure & Emotional Balance

As learning accelerates, children benefit from **fresh, bright** tones that stimulate engagement while maintaining calm. Soft greens and light blues paired with playful accents help manage energy and support social-emotional growth. Use colour to distinguish spaces and support transitions between activities.

12-18 Years:

Identity & Independence

Teens seek spaces that feel mature and reflective of their identity. **Muted, cool tones** such as earthy greens, navy, and greys promote calm, reduce stress, and support focused learning. Incorporate deeper colours for emotional grounding and a sense of belonging.

18-25 Years:

Focus & Comfort in Autonomy

Young adults need flexible, motivating spaces. **Neutral bases with bold accents** support independence, focus, and creativity in large lecture halls, study areas, and breakout zones. Colour can be used to reflect institutional identity while supporting quiet concentration.

A Solution for Every Space

At Tarkett, we understand that designing for educational spaces means balancing aesthetics, practicality and durability. With our wide range of flooring solutions, we work with you to understand your design priorities, whether you are looking for acoustic flooring for quiet, focused areas, durable surfaces for high-traffic zones, or anything in between, we have a solution to meet your needs.

Halls and Auditoriums

Homogeneous Vinyl
Heterogeneous Vinyl
Carpet Tiles
Luxury Vinyl Tiles

Administration Areas

Carpet Tiles
Luxury Vinyl Tiles

Bathrooms and Wet Areas

Homogeneous Vinyl
Heterogeneous Vinyl
Safety Floors

STEM Rooms

Homogeneous Vinyl
Heterogeneous Vinyl
Static Control Vinyl

Sports Facilities

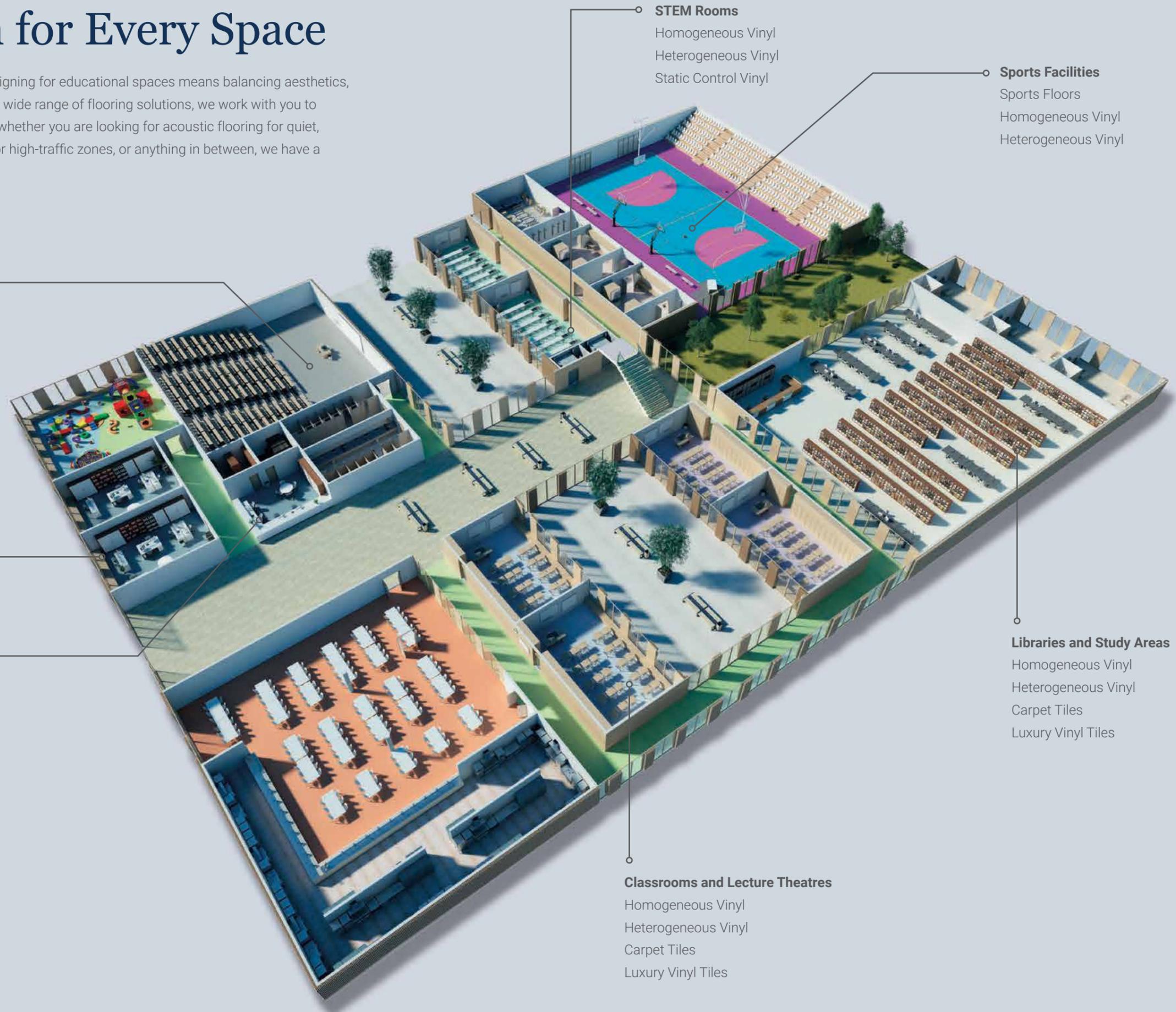
Sports Floors
Homogeneous Vinyl
Heterogeneous Vinyl

Libraries and Study Areas

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Classrooms and Lecture Theatres

Homogeneous Vinyl
Heterogeneous Vinyl
Carpet Tiles
Luxury Vinyl Tiles





HOMOGENEOUS VINYL

iQ Collections

iQ Collections are the only Homogeneous Vinyl flooring to deliver consistent long-term performance without compromising design. With easy installation, outstanding durability, lowest life cycle cost, and a next-generation surface treatment that allows unique dry-buffing restoration, iQ outperforms everything else on the market.

Our high-quality iQ Collections offer superior performance for heavy-traffic environments. This tried-and-tested technology, versatile and timeless in design, is available in a wide colour range and is both hygienic and easy to clean, requiring less detergent and water for maintenance.

Contributing to better indoor air quality, iQ Collections feature low to extremely low VOC emissions.

Key Features

Slip resistance P4

Ideal for heavy-traffic environments

Best life cycle cost on the market

Unique dry-buffing surface restoration

Best-in-class stain resistance

Multicoloured weld rod

Broad colour palette

Recyclable through ReStart®

Available in various formats including: acoustic, static-conductive, static-dissipative, and slip resistant

Suitable Applications

- Classrooms and Lecture Theatres
- Student Accommodation
- Bathrooms and Wet Areas
- STEM Rooms
- Halls and Auditoriums
- Sports Facilities
- Libraries and Study Areas



SAFETY FLOORS

Granit Safe.T

Granit Safe.T is a durable flooring solution for **heavy-traffic wet areas** where safety is of utmost importance. It provides a confident grip in food preparation areas and reduces the risk of slipping, even when covered with soap and water. And to keep it always clean, our trademarked Safety Clean XP surface treatment protects it from stains and eases maintenance. All of the colours in the range are specially designed to coordinate with the other products and accessories of the iQ Granit multi-solution family.

Key Features

- Slip resistance P4 (shoes on), P5 (barefoot)
- CodeMark™ compliant
- Waterproof installation
- Easy maintenance
- Part of the iQ Granit multi-solution offer
- Matching weld rods available
- Recyclable through ReStart®

Suitable Applications

- Bathrooms and Wet Areas
- STEM Rooms

HETEROGENEOUS VINYL

Acczent Excellence Compact+

One of the most creative heavy-traffic Vinyl flooring ranges on the market, with the best indentation/ acoustic ratio (0,03mm - 8dB/ Class B). It is treated with our trademarked TEKTANIUM™ surface protection for extreme durability and cost-effective maintenance. The range offers a renewed palette with an array of materials, patterns and colours for complete creativity.

Tapiflex Excellence 19dB, the acoustic range within the Excellence collection, combines durability with superior sound reduction. Its high-density foam backing delivers 19dB acoustic comfort and improved underfoot softness, while maintaining strong resistance to indentation (0.10 mm). Tapiflex is ideal for heavy-traffic areas where noise control and comfort matter most.

Key Features

- Slip resistance P4
- Ideal for heavy-traffic areas
- Full floor & wall coordination
- Authentic designs
- XXL designs for 2x6m repeat
- New TEKTANIUM™ matte finish
- Available with acoustic backing
- Matching weld rods available

Suitable Applications

- Classrooms and Lecture Theatres
- Student Accommodation
- Bathrooms and Wet Areas
- STEM Rooms
- Halls and Auditoriums
- Sports Facilities
- Libraries and Study Areas



HETEROGENEOUS VINYL

Ruby 70

Ruby 70 is designed for high-traffic Education environments. Now with upgraded features and a broader design palette, it is the ideal affordable Heterogeneous Vinyl that offers great resistance to high-traffic with its **0.7mm wear layer**. Treated with our TopClean™ PUR surface protection it provides extreme durability and cost-effective maintenance.

Key Features

- 0.7mm wear layer
- TopClean™ PUR surface treatment
- Scratch and stain resistant
- Broad colour palette
- P3 Slip resistance

Suitable Applications

- Classrooms and Lecture Theatres
- Student Accommodation
- Bathrooms and Wet Areas
- STEM Rooms
- Halls and Auditoriums
- Sports Facilities
- Libraries and Study Areas

HETEROGENEOUS VINYL WALLCOVERING

ProtectWALL

Designed for corridors and rooms in highly demanding environments, ProtectWALL 1.5 is a high-performance Heterogeneous Vinyl Wallcovering that protects walls against impacts, shocks, scratches, stains and chemicals. Flexible and easy-to-install (**less joints than stiff plates**), it helps to lower repair and maintenance costs by reducing damage to walls. It is treated with our TopClean XP surface protection for easy cleaning and 100% phthalate free.

Key Features

- Wide range of designs available
- Exceptional impact and scratch resistance
- Highly resistant to bacteria
- Excellent cleanability
- Easy maintenance

Suitable Applications

- Classrooms and Lecture Theatres
- Student Accommodation
- Bathrooms and Wet Areas
- STEM Rooms
- Halls and Auditoriums
- Sports Facilities
- Libraries and Study Areas



INDOOR SPORTS FLOORS

Omnisports

From multi-use gym flooring to competitive indoor sports courts, sports surfaces need to be adapted to different activities and levels of competition. Our floors meet the highest industry standards to deliver **athletic protection, enhanced performance**, and long-term durability with reduced maintenance costs. Featuring our X3LT Technology performance layer, these floors offer improved shock absorption from 25% for multi-use spaces to over 35% for high-performance sports, to reduce impact on joints and help prevent injury, supporting athletes at every level.

Key Features

Wide selection of colours and patterns

Stain and scratch resistant

X3LT Technology Performance layer for improved shock absorption

Excellent underfoot comfort

Easy maintenance

Dancefloor and specialty options available

Suitable Applications

- Halls and Auditoriums
- Sports Facilities



CARPET TILES

Academix

Academix is an affordable Carpet Tile designed for Education spaces, combining durability, acoustic performance, and comfort to support focus and reduce fatigue. It features **built-in acoustic cushion backing**, helping manage noise and enhance underfoot comfort in classrooms, libraries, and corridors.

Academix is available in six timeless colours, curated to suit a variety of education interiors. **Compliant to meet Australian school standards (EFSG)**, making it a practical and budget-friendly choice.

Key Features

Acoustic cushion backing for up to 26dB impact sound reduction

Nylon solution dyed yarn

Backing made from 100% recycled content

4 Stars + Stairs ACCS grading

EFSG Compliant for Education applications

Suitable Applications

- Classrooms and Lecture Theatres
- Student Accommodation
- Administration Areas
- Halls and Auditoriums
- Libraries and Study Areas

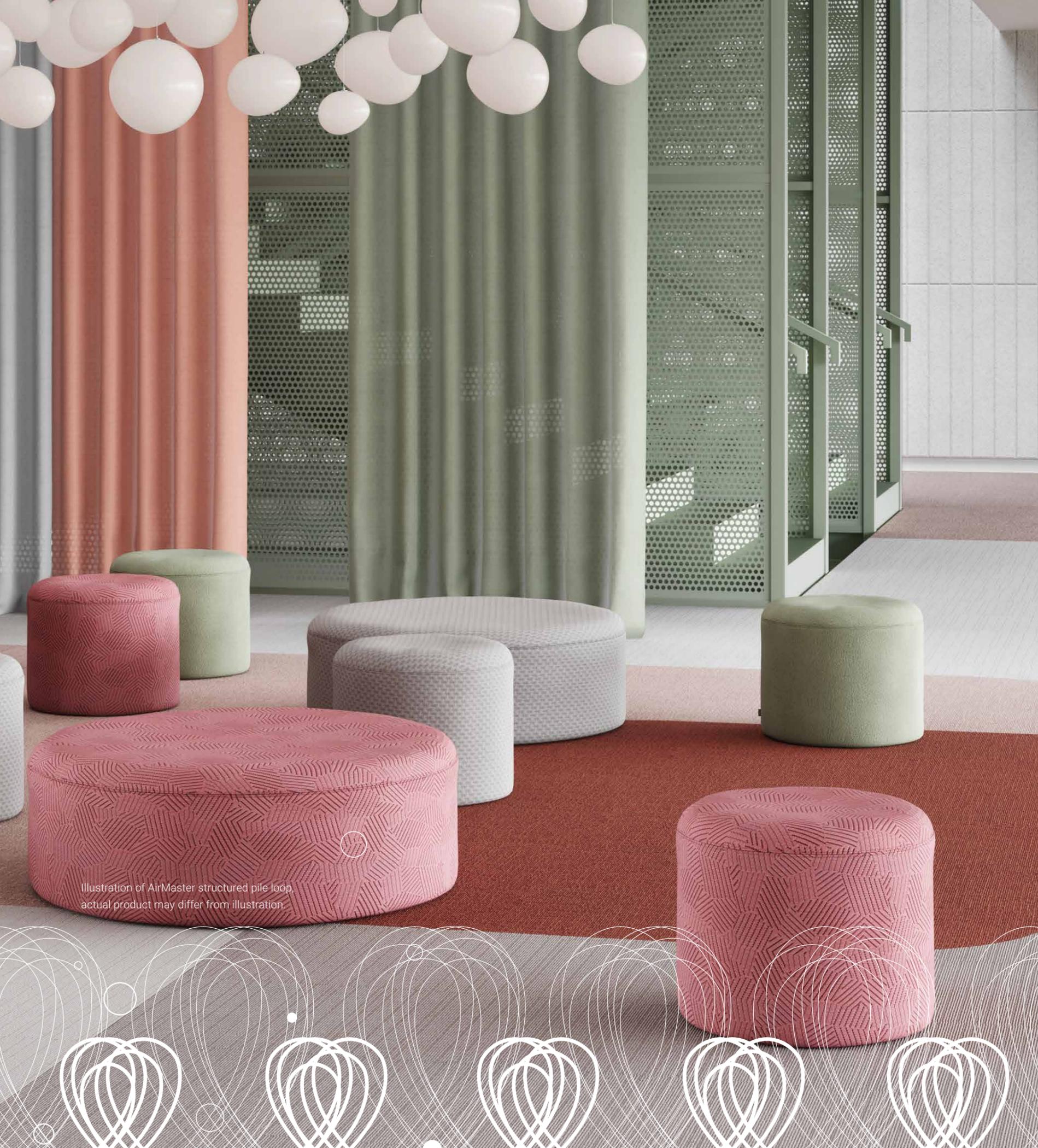


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CARPET TILES

AirMaster®

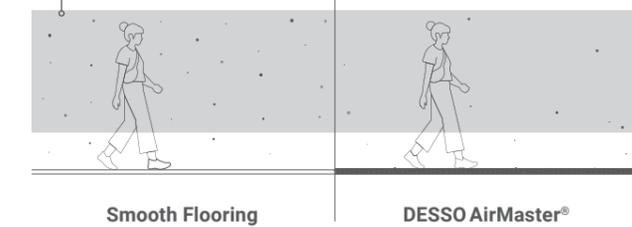
Designed to help improve air quality indoors, the DESSO AirMaster's patented technology captures and retains fine dust eight times more effectively than smooth floors and **four times more than standard carpet***.

AirMaster® doesn't rely on chemical treatments to purify the air. Instead, it uses a unique construction that traps microscopic particles (PM2.5–PM10) including allergens like pollen, mould spores, microplastics, and even dust mite debris, preventing them from re-entering the breathing zone. This helps **create healthier indoor environments** where people can focus, collaborate and thrive.

Key Features

- Improves indoor air quality by reducing the concentration of fine dust in the air
- First and only carpet awarded GUI Gold Plus Label
- Mix and match the collections of AirMaster® Classic, Earth and Sphere
- Industry-leading circular carbon performance
- Standard with 100% recyclable DESSO EcoBase® backing
- Cradle-to-Cradle® Silver level certified
- GreenTag Level A
- Recyclable through ReStart®

Breathing zone



Suitable Applications

- Classrooms and Lecture Theatres
- Student Accommodation
- Administration Areas
- Halls and Auditoriums
- Libraries and Study Areas

*Based on GUI test report AirMaster® 090225-01 DF with DESSO® AirMaster® versus a standard smooth floor and versus standard structured loop pile carpet (median values).



CARPET TILES

Essence Pure, Roots and Traces

The DESSO Essence Elements collection is made up of three complementary and infinitely combinable designs. Essence Pure offers serene simplicity with a clean palette of vibrant accents, transitional mid-tones and best-selling neutrals. Essence Roots brings unstructured pattern and soft tactility, while Essence Traces emphasises depth and adds definition with its subtle organic lines.

Key Features

- Contemporary designs and colours
- Limitless combination possibilities
- Industry-leading circular carbon performance
- Standard with 100% recyclable DESSO EcoBase® backing
- Optional SoundMaster® Thrive acoustic backing
- Cradle-to-Cradle® Silver level certified
- GreenTag Level A
- Recyclable through ReStart®

Suitable Applications

- Classrooms and Lecture Theatres
- Student Accommodation
- Administration Areas
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DESSO SoundMaster® Thrive Backing

Sound absorption and impact sound insulation are crucial in educational settings: less noise leads to a greater level of productivity, as quieter environments help reduce stress levels and improve concentration. Tarkett's DESSO SoundMaster® Thrive backing is expertly designed to absorb airborne and impact sound, helping to create quieter environments with an **improvement of 5dB impact sound reduction.**

Moreover, reflecting Tarkett's dedication to developing products that are good for humans, and

for the planet, this innovative acoustic backing is safely recyclable in our own Carpet recycling centre, has 100% positively defined ingredients, and contains less than 0.01% antimony content*.

When used alongside a Carpet Tile collection that is Cradle-to-Cradle® certified, the backing will ensure the certification level of the overall product is maintained.

*Antimony trioxide is used as a catalyst in polyester production. At the current rate of use, reserves are expected to deplete by 2031. By using the absolute minimum amount of antimony possible, Tarkett upholds its commitment to seeking more socially and environmentally acceptable alternatives, in line with Cradle-to-Cradle® principles



LUXURY VINYL TILES

iD Naturals 70

Our iD Naturals 70 LVT designs are inspired by the beauty of nature. Using a unique, patent-protected digital printing technology, we capture nature's diverse features in high definition. From the intricate wood grains to the subtle textures of stone, our iD Naturals 70 LVT showcases **non-repeating patterns spanning 50 planks (around 12m²)**, iD Naturals 70 LVT brings natural variation and realism to every floor.

The iD Naturals 70 LVT collection features our proprietary TEKTANIUM™ PU coating, offering a naturally clear, strong layer of protection with unrivalled resistance to scratches, abrasions, wear, and stains. This coating provides a pure ultra-matte finish, consistently visible from all angles, enhancing the realistic appearance and longevity of your flooring.

Key Features

Slip resistance P4/P5*

Nature-inspired timber and stone designs

Long term aesthetic appeal

Ultimate durability and highly resistant to scuffs, scratches and stains with TEKTANIUM™ coating

0.7mm Durable wear layer

Ultra-matte finish

Minimal visible pattern repeat

High-definition printing

Glue-down installation

Easy cleaning and maintenance

Customisation options available

*Dependent on embossing. Please refer to product datasheet.

Suitable Applications

- Classrooms and Lecture Theatres
- Student Accommodation
- Administration Areas
- Halls and Auditoriums
- Libraries and Study Areas

LUXURY VINYL TILES

iD Comfort 19

iD Comfort 19 acoustic Luxury Vinyl Tiles and Planks have a unique six-layer construction for improved sound control, making them ideal for environments where noise is a concern. Each layer is uniquely formulated for long-term dimensional stability, meaning they will not warp or gap over time. With a **0.55mm wear layer**, they are perfect for high-traffic areas and will resist indents, scratches and everyday wear and tear.

iD Comfort 19 Luxury Vinyl Tiles with LVT offers best-in-class acoustic performance with a **6 star rating from AAAC**.

Key Features

Slip resistance P3

High-traffic performance

Total thickness 5mm (4 + 1mm acoustic backing)

0.55mm wear layer

Phthalate free and ultra-low VOC

Timber and stone designs

Easy to clean and maintain

19dB Impact sound reduction

Glue-down installation

6 Star AAAC acoustic certified rating

Best-in-class dimensional stability

Suitable Applications

- Classrooms and Lecture Theatres
- Student Accommodation
- Administration Areas
- Halls and Auditoriums
- Libraries and Study Areas



Complementary Solutions for Other Areas



Admin and Staff Areas



Entrance Matting

Commercial Kitchens



Dancefloor



Bathroom Floors and Walls

PHD™
Product Health Declaration

Tarkett Australia Pty Ltd
HO Range

Search homogeneous vinyl flooring are shown durability and low maintenance properties. They are ideal for heavy and very heavy traffic areas, such as schools, hospitals, offices, public buildings, etc. These products are manufactured with high quality materials and advanced technology. These homogeneous vinyl flooring products have improved mechanical properties, such as resistance to scratches, stains, and impact, as well as improved acoustic performance. They will give you the all-round benefits for optimal performance.

Products/Ranges:
 Product Stages Assessed:
 MasterFormat:
 and Sites:
 Number:
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HO Range
 Material Inputs, manufacturing, in-use
 Flooring product

Ronneby, Sweden
 TAR:HO01-2022AH
 8th March 2022
 23 February 2022
 http://www.globalgreentag.com/certification/2072/

100% Inventory Threshold:
 100ppm Product Level

Inventory
 Nested Materials

GLOBAL GREEN TAG
HEALTH RATE

Platinum
HEALTH
 trust brands™

Environmental Product Declaration

In accordance with ISO 14025 and EN 15804:2012+A2:2019 for:

iQ Range homogeneous vinyl flooring from TARKETT

EPD®
 EPD
 EN 15804 VERIFIED

Programme operator:
 EPD registration number:
 Publication date:
 Revision date:
 Valid until:

The International EPD® System, www.environdec.com
 S-P-01346
 2018-12-06
 2021-09-17
 2026-07-21

An EPD should provide current information and its validity is therefore subject to the continued registration.

IQ Range

Issued to: **TARKETT**

Product specifications: IQ Granit, Granit Multisafe, IQ Granit Acoustic, IQ Megallit, IQ Eminent, IQ Optima, IQ Optima Acoustic, IQ Surface, IQ Granit SD, IQ Toro SC

Issue date: 15.12.2022
 Expiration date: 14.12.2024
 Evaluation threshold: At least 100 ppm of the final product

After-use scenario: [TARKETT ReStart® Program](#)

EPEA Registry No: 39851.4

MHS Version: 2.0

FUNCTION	CHEMICALS	CAS	CONTENT	EPEA RATING	COMMENT	GS-IT	GS-SM	REACH
PVC	PVC	9002-86-2	< 52.5%	Green	Traditional use of PVC is tolerated in durable applications destined with good materials and a collection and recycling program in place. Vinyl chloride content is below 1 ppm in purchased products. Tarkett proposes to take back your insulation residues and your products after use, thanks to the ReStart® program. Check Tarkett availability websites for ReStart program			
Fillers	Proprietary	Proprietary 3	< 35.3%	Green	Fillers consist primarily of pulverized stones that include minor contents of other minerals. Resizable quartz levels. No concern for finished product			
Plasticizers	1,2-Cyclohexanedicarboxylic acid, 1,2-disononyl ester (DINCH)	Proprietary 1	< 35.3%	Green	Alternative to phthalate produced by hydrolysis of specific			
	1,2-Cyclohexanedicarboxylic acid, 1,2-disononyl ester	166412-28-8		Green				
	Terephthalic acid, dioctyl ester (DEHT)	Not available		Green				
Stabilizers	Soybean oil, epoxidized	6422	< 22.4%	Green				

Transparency at our Core

At Tarkett, we prioritise full transparency with our customers. That's why we offer Material Health Statements (MHSs) and Environmental Product Declarations (EPDs) for most of our products.

A Material Health Statement (MHS) offers complete transparency on the composition of our products. It's an 'identity card' for product ingredients, a voluntary statement to inform interested customers about the expected health properties of a product during its intended use phase.

An Environmental Product Declaration (EPD) is an independently verified and registered document that communicates transparent and comparable data and other relevant environmental information about the life-cycle environmental impact of a product.

Comparing Product EPDs

When comparing products from different suppliers, it's crucial to look at Module D in the EPD. This module helps evaluate the benefits of materials beyond their initial use, including their potential for recovery, reuse, or recycling. By considering these factors, Module D improves carbon calculations for projects and will indicate whether there is a true recycling and re-use system in place for the particular product.



People.
Planet.
Purpose.

Tarkett Human-Conscious Design™

Drives our commitment to sourcing good materials, contributing to better indoor air quality, and continually evolving toward a circular economy. Tarkett's entire flooring collection is phthalate-free, helping to minimise airborne pollutants. All products recommended are certified carbon neutral by Carbonfree®, and many products are CERTIFIED asthma & allergy friendly® by the Asthma & Allergy Foundation of America, in association with Allergy Standards, Ltd.

Complete Transparency

We know our customers consider the impact of your material specifications on the overall health and wellness of the people in a space. To make that process easier, we're committed to providing complete transparency with straightforward resources.

From the responsible materials in our flooring, to the reduced environmental impact of our manufacturing, to our commitment to carbon neutrality, we're creating products that support human and environmental health.

Our third-party verified Material Health Statements (MHSs) accurately describe the composition of each product and provide information on any health or environmental risks. Our Environmental Product Declarations (EPDs) are based on LCA methodology and evaluate the environmental performance of our products, and our CSR report is comprehensive, publicly disclosed and audited by a third party.

Designing for a Sustainable Future

At Tarkett, we believe that designing a sustainable building starts with a life cycle approach - one that considers environmental impacts from the very beginning while enhancing the well-being of those who use the space. With people spending up to 90% of their time indoors, it's essential to create healthier, safer, and more people-friendly environments.

We support our professional clients and consumers by continuously improving the health and environmental credentials of our products. By selecting materials that can be recovered, recycled, and transformed into new products, we contribute to a circular economy. Our commitment to Cradle-to-Cradle® design helps preserve natural resources and reduce climate impact, so together with our industry partners, we can create beautiful, sustainable spaces that make a positive difference for people and the planet.



CLOSING THE LOOP

The building and construction industry plays a critical role in tackling climate change and resource preservation, contributing around 39% of global greenhouse gas emissions and generating up to 70% of total waste. As a global leader in flooring, we're committed to building a circular economy that reduces waste, conserves resources, and supports better outcomes for people and the planet.



RECYCLING WITH TARKETT

Our ReStart® take-back and recycling program is central to our circular approach. Available across a wide range of Homogeneous Vinyl flooring and DESSO Carpet Tiles, ReStart® makes it possible to recycle floors into floors - over and over again. With eight specialised recycling centres around the world, we've already **diverted over 124,000 tonnes of flooring from landfill**. In Australia, ReStart® continues to gain momentum, helping our customers reduce waste while supporting a truly circular model for flooring.



PARTNERING FOR BROADER IMPACT

To extend our reach and ensure more flooring waste is kept out of landfill, Tarkett is also a proud founding member of ResiLoop, Australia's first national industry driven take-back and recycling scheme for Resilient flooring. While ReStart® remains our most established and circular recycling solution, partnering with ResiLoop allows us to responsibly manage products not currently included in the ReStart® system. Together, these programs enable us to offer comprehensive recycling pathways across our full product range, supporting our customers in making more sustainable choices.

Why the Circular Economy is Powering Our Climate Journey

Recycling contributes significantly to reducing our carbon footprint. It preserves natural resources, eliminates greenhouse gas emissions linked to the manufacture of raw materials, and those linked to the incineration of end-of-life products.

We are seeking to build more and more robust collaborations with partners who share our ambition to make conscious choices for people and planet.



CREATING A SECOND LIFE FOR WASTE

At Tarkett, we're committed to a sustainable, circular economy that creates value for everyone, closing the loop on waste, preserving natural resources and reducing our impact on climate change, to give you peace of mind on your product choice.

We believe waste is a precious raw material with a very low carbon footprint. Because where others see waste, we see opportunities.



RESTART® RECYCLING

ReStart® is our hassle-free, take back and recycling program for Homogeneous Vinyl and select DESSO Carpet Tiles. On average, our Vinyl floors are made up of 24% recycled content, while our DESSO Carpets contain over 60% and our Linoleum more than 30%.

Manage Costs by Making the Right Choices



OPTIMISE MAINTENANCE

High levels of traffic are normal in educational settings. This inevitably means bumps, spills, and general wear and tear. As maintenance plays a major role in the cost of ownership for flooring, choosing the right floor may help keep maintenance costs down.



CONSIDER CLEANING COSTS

Cleaning is an important factor in life cycle costs; choosing easy and quick to clean surfaces helps keep spaces hygienic at all times. It also reduces the work required and helps keep down associated costs such as cleaning products.

Good design isn't necessarily costly. We offer easy-to-clean flooring solutions for well-maintained spaces that convey a positive feeling. Thinking long term, opt for robust flooring that will last longer, spacing out renovations, and minimising costs and disruption.



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