

BRE Green Guide

Vinyl and Linoleum floorcoverings have generic BRE A+/A Ratings for contract applications

BRE Global has published an online Green Guide to Specification with generic environmental ratings for floor finishes used in buildings on a scale of A+ to E, where A+ represents the best environmental performance / least environmental impact.

As may be seen in the table below, vinyl and linoleum floorcoverings receive generic environmental ratings of A+/A in contract applications, with an A+ rating achieved when used in major use areas within the healthcare and education sectors.



	Healthcare	Education	Commercial	Retail	Domestic
Safety EN 13845 Typical Tarkett products: Safetred Aqua, Safetred Universal (Plus), Safetred Spectrum, Safetred Dimension, Safetred Wood, Safetred Naturals, Granit Safe.T	A+	A+	A	A/A+	B
Homogeneous EN 649 Typical Tarkett products: iQ Natural, iQ Granit, iQ Optima, iQ Eminent, iQ Megalit, iQ Toro SC, iQ Granit SD, Primo Premium, Eclipse Premium, Eclipse SD, Wylon Plus, Contract Plus	A+	A+	A	A+/A+	A
Heterogeneous EN 649 Typical Tarkett products: Acczent Evolution, Acczent Excellence 80, Contract Nature, Contract Wood	A+	A+	A	A+/A+	A
Acoustic Floors EN 651 Typical Tarkett products: Tapiflex Evolution, Tapiflex Excellence 65, Square Acoustic	A+	A+	A	A/A+	A
Luxury Vinyl Tiles EN 649 Typical Tarkett products: iD Inspiration 70, iD Selection 40	A+	A+	A	A+/A+	A
Linoleum EN 548 Typical Tarkett products: Veneto xf, Allegro xf, Silencio xf	A+	A+	A	A+/A+	A

Full details of the BRE Green Guide to Specification may be viewed at www.bre.co.uk/greenguide



BREEAM (BRE Environmental Assessment Method)

BREEAM is the world's longest established and most widely used environmental assessment method for buildings. It sets the standards for best practice in sustainable development and demonstrates a level of achievement.

The Green Guide to Specification is a mechanism BREEAM uses to measure the environmental impact of specifications for key building elements.

For more information regarding BREEAM please visit www.breeam.org

The Code for Sustainable Homes

The Code for Sustainable Homes is very similar to BREEAM in that the Green Guide to Specification is the mechanism Code Assessors use to measure the environmental impact of specifications for key building elements.

For more information regarding The Code for Sustainable Homes visit www.communities.gov.uk/thecode and www.breeam.org

ReUse

Tarkett recycles more than 77,000 tons of material per year and our vinyl flooring is 100% recyclable. On average 25% recycled material is used on all Tarkett manufactured floorings. We continually look for new ways to increase the content of recycled material and to recycle more. We are the only flooring manufacturer with our own recycling facilities.

