



GLOSSARY OF TERMS Regarding Plywood

BS1088-1 2003	Marine plywood standard
BS5268 part 2	Load bearing standard
CE2+	For structural applications, ie walls ceilings, floors etc (included in CPD - EN13986)
CE4	For use in construction for NON structural applications (under above-mentioned CPD)
EN 13986	EU Directive for Construction Products (CPD)
EN 636	Classification of the species of plywood under the above directive
EN 636-1	Species for interior conditions
EN 636-2	Species for humid conditions
EN 636-3	Species for exterior conditions
EN 314	Classification of the bonding/glue under EN 13986
EN 314-1	Glue for in interior conditions
EN 314-2	Glue for humid conditions
EN 314-3	Glue for exterior conditions
E1	Lower formaldehyde level
E2	Higher formaldehyde level
FSC	Forest Stewardship Council (scheme certifying sustainability and legality)
Grades	Grade of face and back of sheet of plywood eg C+/C, B/C, B/B, B/BB, BB/CC etc (see page 2)
MTCS / MTCC	Malaysian Timber Certification Scheme (comes under PEFC certification below)
PEFC	Programme for Endorsement of Forest Certification (scheme certifying sustainability and legality)
SE	Square edged
T + G	Tongue and groove



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GRADES

Brazilian Grades

C+/C	Face knots filled and repaired/reverse open knots
B/C	No knots in face/open knots in reverse
B/B	No knots face or back

Malaysian/Chinese Grades

B/BB	One piece face veneer uniform in colour/occasional filler on reverse
BB/CC	One piece face veneer, colour variation, occasional filler to max 2 x 300 mm/reverse occasional patches and filler and pin worm

Chilean Grades

From lowest to highest grade:

CD	not sanded
CPC	sanded and repaired
B/C	fully sanded with no knots in face

Finnish Grades

From lowest to highest grade:

III/III
II/III
II/II

Russian Grades

BB/CP	(same as BB/WG) Clear face, occasional patch on BB face, thick face veneer ie 1.2 mm after sanding, extremely well sanded. Reverse – patches and a little filler but very well filled and colour matched
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Swedish Grades

EN III-III	P30 but not up to structural requirements of P30
Improved C+	P30 but improved face - not sanded
P30	not sanded
CPC	fully repaired and fully sanded (like Finnish II/III)