

hEN 14041:2018

- Standard hEN 14041: 2018 has been published by CEN before it has been approved by the commission.
- This means EN 14041:2018 **cannot be used on CE labelling**
Still have to use EN 14041:2004
- Delayed publication of hEN14041:2018 due to the fact that the standards have to be legally compliant and scanned by the legal department. There are only 27 out of 125 that have been released for publication.

Draft delegated act for the Assessment and Verification of Constancy of Performance (AVCP) for flooring

Reaction to Fire

New proposal

Product	Product subfamilies	AVCP system
Floor coverings for internal uses	Products for which a clearly identifiable stage in the production process results in an improvement of their reaction to fire performance (e.g. an addition of fire retardants or a limiting of organic material)	1
	Products for which an applicable European legal base exists to classify their reaction of fire performance without testing	4
	Products not belonging to the subfamilies indicated in rows 1 and 2	3

As stated in EN 14041:2006

Table ZA.3 – Systems of attestation of conformity			
Product	Intended use(s)	Level(s) or class(es)	Attestation of conformity system
Resilient, textile and laminate floor coverings	Internal and external use as flooring coverings	A1 _s *, A2 _s *, B _s * and C _s *	1
		A1 _s **, A2 _s **, B _s **, C _s **, D _s and E _s	3
		(A1 _s to E _s)*** and F _s	4
* Products/materials for which a clearly identifiable stage in the production process results in an improvement of the reaction to fire classification (e.g. an addition of fire retardants or a limiting of organic material). In accordance with EC decision 2001/506/EC products with a different content of organic material outside the accepted limits as laid down in the factory production control documentation have to be tested separately according to table D1 in Annex D.			
** Products/materials not covered by footnote (*).			
*** Products/materials that do not require to be tested for reaction to fire (e.g. products/materials of Class A1 according to Commission Decision 98/603/EC, as amended). This applies also to products that are covered by a CWFT (classified without further testing) decision.			
System 1: See Directive 89/106/EEC (CPD) Annex III.2.(i), without audit testing of samples.			
System 3: See Directive 89/106/EEC (CPD) Annex III.2.(ii), Second possibility.			
System 4: See Directive 89/106/EEC (CPD) Annex III.2.(ii), Third possibility.			

Sentence for discussion

“Products/materials for which a clearly identifiable stage in the production process results in an improvement of the reaction to fire classification (e.g. an addition of flame retardants or a limiting of organic material).”

Alternative proposal

*Products/materials for which a clearly identifiable stage in the production process results in an improvement of the reaction to fire classification (e.g. an addition of a chemically active fire retardant substance **that is intentionally used to improve the reaction to fire classification of the final product***

- Within TC 134 it was agreed to go back to the commission to ask them what they mean with this system as it is open for interpretation.
- Guy Verrue MD EUFCA contacted the commission and had email correspondence with Mikelli Tapani, Head of Sector for Sustainable Construction with the European commission to get EN 14041:2018, granted as an harmonized standard and to settle the different related AVCP's.
- Response: now not the right time as internal issues had not been resolved regarding harmonized standards.