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This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 1096:1999), which has been technically revised.

Plywood — Classification

1 Scope

This International Standard provides systems of classification of plywood panels based on general appearance and principal characteristics.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 2074, *Plywood — Vocabulary*

ISO 2426-1, *Plywood — Classification by surface appearance — Part 1: General*

ISO 2426-2, *Plywood — Classification by surface appearance — Part 2: Hardwood*

ISO 2426-3, *Plywood — Classification by surface appearance — Part 3: Softwood*

ISO 12465, *Plywood — Specifications*

3 Classification

3.1 General

Plywood panels are classified according to the criteria chosen in the following list.

3.2 General description

3.2.1 Panel type as defined in ISO 2074

- a) veneer plywood
- b) wood core plywood
 - 1) blockboard
 - 2) battenboard
 - 3) laminboard
- c) composite plywood

3.2.2 Form and shape as defined in ISO 2074

- a) flat
- b) moulded

3.2.3 Surface appearances as defined in ISO 2426-1, ISO 2426-2, and ISO 2426-3

3.2.4 Surface finishes as defined in ISO 2074

- a) unsanded plywood
- b) sanded plywood (one side or two sides)
- c) touch-sanded plywood
- d) scraped plywood
- e) overlaid plywood (resin impregnated paper, plastic, resin film, metal, decorative paper)
- f) pre-finished plywood
- g) textured plywood
- h) veneered plywood

3.3 Principal characteristics

3.3.1 Mechanical properties linked with the type of application

- a) plywood for non-structural uses (e.g. furniture, wall panelling)
- b) plywood for structural uses (e.g. wall sheathing, floor decking, and concrete forming)

3.3.2 Exposure conditions as defined in ISO 12465

- a) for use in dry conditions
- b) for use in tropical dry/humid conditions
- c) for use in high humidity/exterior conditions

3.3.3 Specific treatments to improve

- a) biological durability (fungi, insects)
- b) moisture resistance
- c) reaction to fire