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**Vezan les - Klasifikacija po videzu površine - 3. del: Iglavci**

Plywood - Classification by surface appearance - Part 3: Softwood

Sperrholz - Klassifizierung nach dem Aussehen der Oberfläche - Teil 3: Nadelholz

Contreplaqué - Classification selon l'aspect des faces - Partie 3: Bois résineux

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**Foreword**

This European Standard has been prepared by the Technical Committee CEN/TC 112 "Wood-based panels", of which the secretariat is held by DIN.

This standard is one of a series of standards for the classification of plywood by surface appearance. The other parts of this series are listed in clause 2 and Annex A.

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## 1 Scope

This European Standard specifies the nature and limits of characteristics inherent in wood and manufacturing defects enabling the visual assessment of the plywood for allocation to an appearance class. This classification is a contribution to assessing the finishing suitability of plywood.

This part of EN 635 applies to plywood, the surface veneers of which are made from softwood species. It does not apply to overlaid panels.

## 2 Normative references

This European Standard incorporates by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to this European Standard, only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies.

EN 635-1 Plywood - Classification by surface appearance - Part 1: General

## 3 Classification by surface appearance

### 3.1 Appearance-classes

Assessment of characteristics and defects for determination of appearance class shall be carried out in accordance with EN 635-1. Surface classification shall be based on the permissible characteristics and defects within each of the appearance classes as specified in 3.2

NOTE: Guidance on selection of finishing for each appearance class is given in ENV 635-4.

### 3.2 Permissible characteristics and defects

Each surface shall be individually assigned to one of the appearance classes E, I, II, III, IV, as defined by the permissible characteristics and defects indicated in Table 1 and Table 2.

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## 3.2.1 Classification according to characteristics inherent in wood

Table 1: Classification according to characteristics inherent in wood

	Categories of characteristics	Appearance class			
		E	I	II	III
3.2.1.1	Pin knots *)		3/m <sup>2</sup> permitted		Permitted
3.2.1.2	Sound intergrown knots		15 mm provided their cumulative diameter does not exceed 30 mm/m <sup>2</sup>	Permitted up to an individual diameter of: 50 mm	Permitted but see note.
			Such knots may have splits provided they are very slight	60 mm	
3.2.1.3	Unsound or non-adhering knots and knot holes	Practically absent	6 mm if filled and up to a number of 2/m <sup>2</sup>	Permitted up to an individual diameter of: 5 mm if unprepared 25 mm if filled and up to a number of 6/m <sup>2</sup>	Permitted but see note.
3.2.1.4	Splits	open		Permitted if less than: 1/10 of panel length up to an individual width of: 3 mm and up to a number of: 3/m	Length unlimited
		closed		if properly filled All splits greater than 2 mm in width to be filled	25 mm 3/m unlimited
					Permitted

\*) Pin knots: sound intergrown knots of no more than 3 mm diameter

NOTE: Characteristics inherent to wood are permitted provided that they do not impair the serviceability of the panel.

Table 1 (concluded): Classification according to characteristics inherent in wood

Categories of characteristics	Appearance class				
	E	I	II	III	
3.2.1.6 Anomalies due to insects, marine borers, and parasite plants	Not permitted	Marks of parasitic plants not permitted. Insects and marine borer holes permitted up to a: diameter of 3 mm vertically to the plane of the panel up to a number of 10/m <sup>2</sup>	Width up to 15 mm and a length of 60 mm up to a number of 3/m <sup>2</sup>	Permitted, but see Note	IV
3.2.1.6 Resin pockets and inbark	Not permitted	Not permitted	Permitted up to a width of 6 mm if properly filled	Permitted but see Note	Permitted
Resin streaks	Not permitted	Permitted if slight	40 mm	Permitted	Permitted
3.2.1.7 Irregularities in the structure of the wood	Practically absent	Permitted if very slight	if slight	Permitted	Permitted
3.2.1.8 Discoloration which is not wood destroying	Practically absent	Permitted if low contrast	Permitted	Permitted	Permitted
3.2.1.9 Fungal decay, wood destroying	Not permitted	Not permitted	Not permitted	Not permitted	Not permitted
3.2.1.10 Other characteristics	Practically absent	To be considered under the category which they most closely resemble			

NOTE: Characteristics inherent to wood are permitted provided that they do not impair the serviceability of the panel.

**3.2.2 Classification according to manufacturing defects**

Table 2: Classification according to manufacturing defects

Categories of defects	Appearance class			
	E	I	II	III
<b>3.2.2.1 Open joints</b>	Not permitted	Permitted up to a width of: 3 mm and up to a number of: 1/m	Permitted up to a width of: 10 mm and up to a number of: 2/m	Permitted up to a width of: 25 mm unlimited
		of panel width with joints filled if more than 1 mm in width	of panel width with joints unfilled	unfilled
<b>3.2.2.2 Overlaps</b>	Not permitted	Permitted up to a number of: 1/m <sup>2</sup> and up to 100 mm length	Permitted up to a number of 2/m <sup>2</sup>	Permitted, but see Note
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<b>3.2.2.3 Blisters</b>	Not permitted		Not permitted	
<b>3.2.2.4 Hollows, imprints and bumps</b>	Not permitted	Permitted if slight	Permitted	Permitted
<b>3.2.2.5 Roughness</b>	Not permitted	Permitted if slight	Permitted	Permitted
<b>3.2.2.6 Sanding through</b>		Not permitted	Permitted up to an extent of: 1 % of panel surface	Permitted up to an extent of: 5 % of panel surface but see Note
<b>3.2.2.7 Glue penetration</b>	Not permitted	if slight and occasional	Permitted up to an extent of 5 % of the panel surface	Permitted, but see Note

NOTE: Manufacturing defects are permitted provided that they do not impair the serviceability of the panel.

Table 2 (concluded): Classification according to manufacturing defects

Categories of defects	Class			
	E	I	II	III
3.2.2.8 Foreign particles	Not permitted	Not permitted		
3.2.2.9 Repairs	Practically without defects	Permitted if properly made and tightly filled up to a number of: $5/\text{m}^2$	Permitted with limits of the category	Permitted, but see Note
a) Patches	Not permitted	Not permitted	Permitted up to 6 mm from the edge	Permitted, but see Note
b) Shims				
c) Synthetic fillers				
3.2.2.10 Defects at the edges of the panel due to sanding or sawing	Practically without defects	To be considered under the category which they most closely resemble		
3.2.2.11 Other defects				

NOTE: Manufacturing defects are permitted provided that they do not impair the serviceability of the panel.

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