

Document Summary

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Commodity	Carpet
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Revision History

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Purpose

The purpose of this purchasing standard is to set the postconsumer by weight requirement for carpeting in order to label a purchase as Environmentally Preferable Purchasing (EPP).

Authority

Pursuant to [Public Resources Code Section 42982](#), it requires DGS to determine the minimum amount of postconsumer content for carpeting purchased by state agencies as outlined in the State Contracting Manual (SCM).

Background

[PCC §12400-12404](#) defines environmentally preferable purchasing as the procurement or acquisition of goods and services that have a lesser or reduced effect on human health and the environment when compared with competing goods or services that serve the same purpose.

[Executive Order N-19-19](#) directs departments to purchase and use environmentally preferable products and services to minimize greenhouse gas emissions and mitigate the impacts of climate change.

[PCC §12200-12217](#) establishes the State Agency Buy Recycled Campaign (SABRC) and declares that it is the policy of the state to conserve and protect its resources.

Requirements

Suppliers who offer carpet products must submit, at time of bid, documentation demonstrating that the product offered meets both:

- Compliant to standard NSF/ANSI 140 platinum tier
- Contains a minimum of 15% post-consumer recycled content by weight for the entirety of the carpeting product (excluding padding and packaging).

When removing postconsumer carpet from state buildings, it shall be managed in a manner consistent with [PRC 42970-42983](#).

UNSPSC Titles

Table 1: UNSPSC eligible products

Commodity	UNSPSC
Carpeting	30161701
Knotted Carpeting	30161708
Tufted Carpeting	30161709
Outdoor Carpeting	30161711
Carpet Pads	30161713
Carpet or Rug Underlays	30161719

References

Find certification standard, [NSF/ANSI 140](#), *Sustainability Assessment for Carpet*
Find program details of [Carpet America Recovery Effort \(CARE\)](#) from CalRecycle
Find SABRC compliant products in the [Recycled-Content Product Manufacturers database](#).
Find resources from CalRecycle in [Carpet Buyers](#) selecting sustainable carpet products.

Learn more about UNSPSCs by visiting [United Nations Standard Products and Services Code®](#) Website.

Contact Information

Visit the [Buying Green](#) website for additional information about EPP. Questions and concerns over this purchasing standard can be directed to EPP@dgs.ca.gov.

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