



(BS) EN 635-3: 1995 (confirmed 2014)

Softwoods

Part 3 of this standard tabulates the size of allowable natural characteristics and manufacturing defects for each of the appearance classes listed in Part 1. It does not apply to overlaid panels. Part 1 establishes rules for the classification of plywood by its surface appearance. Five appearance classes are distinguished - E, I, II, III and IV. The classification is made according to the number and extent of certain natural characteristics of wood and the defects that may arise from the manufacturing process.

Comparison: APA veneer grades referencing US PS 1-19 and EN 635-3 surface appearance grades	
US PS 1-19	EN 635-3 (Softwood)
N	E
A	I
B	I/II
C plugged	II/III
C	III
D	IV

This is a simplified interpretation of the grading rules based on the appearance of the surface veneers.

Equivalents cannot be exactly compared as two different sets of grading rules apply.