

MINIMUM RECOMMENDATIONS FOR COMMERCIAL APPLICATIONS

To help compare various types of cushion, the Carpet Cushion Council has provided the following minimum recommendations for separate (non-attached) commercial carpet cushion for three levels of traffic. Any cushion type and grade certified as meeting these guidelines for cushion for being installed at a particular traffic level can be expected to perform satisfactorily at that level under normal conditions, when used with a carpet made for the same specified traffic conditions.

		CLASS I MODERATE TRAFFIC				CLASS II HEAVY TRAFFIC				CLASS III EXTRA HEAVY TRAFFIC			
		Wt. ozs.	Thk. inch	Dens. lb/ft ³	65% CFD	Wt. ozs.	Thk. inch	Dens. lb/ft ³	65% CFD	Wt. ozs.	Thk. inch	Dens. lb/ft ³	65% CFD
FIBER	Synthetic Fiber	22	0.250	7.3		28	0.3125	7.3		36	0.350	8.0	
	Resinated Recycled Textile	24	0.250	7.3		30	0.300	7.3		38	0.375	8.0	
RUBBER	Flat	62	0.150	21	20.0	62	0.150	21	20.0	62	0.150	26	25.0
	Rippled	56	0.270	15	2.0	Not recommended for this class			Not recommended for this class				
	Textured Flat	56	0.220	18	3.0	64	0.235	22	5.0	80	0.250	26	7.0
	Reinforced	64	0.235	22	40.0	64	0.235	22	40.0	54	0.200	22	40.0
POLYURETHANE FOAM	Grafted Prime*		0.250	2.7	2.5		0.250	3.2	3.5		0.025	4.0	5.0
	Densified Prime*		0.250	2.7	2.4		0.250	3.5	3.3		0.250	4.5	4.8
	Bonded **		0.375	5.0	5.0		0.250	6.5	6.0		0.250	8.0	8.0
	Mechanically Frothed***		0.300	13.0	20.0		0.223	15.0	30.0		0.183	19.0	40.0

Class I Moderate Traffic Office Buildings: Executive or private offices, conference rooms **Health Care:** Executive, Airports:

Administration

Retail: Windows and display areas

Banks: Executive areas Hotels/Motels: Sleeping rooms Libraries/Museums: Administration Class II Heavy Traffic

Office Buildings: Clerical areas, corridors

(moderate traffic)

Health Care: Patients' rooms, lounges **Schools:** Dormitories and classrooms Retail: Minor aisles, boutiques, specialty Banks: Lobbies, corridors (moderate traffic)

Hotels/Motels: Corridors

Libraries/Museums Public areas (moderate

traffic)

Convention Centers: Auditoriums

Class III Extra Heavy Traffic

Office Buildings: Corridors (heavy traffic), cafeterias Health care: Lobbies, corridors, nurses' stations

Schools: Corridors, cafeterias

Airports: Corridors, public areas, ticketing areas Retail: Major aisles, check outs, supermarkets Banks: Corridors (heavy traffic), teller windows Hotels/Motels: Lobbies and public areas

Libraries/Museums: Public Areas

Country Clubs: Locker rooms, pro shops, dining areas

Convention Centers: Corridors and lobbies Restaurants: Dining areas and lobbies

Maximum thickness for any product is 3/8 inch

Footnotes:

All thicknesses, weights and densities allow a 5% manufacturing tolerance

Wt.- Denotes weight in ounces/sq. yd.

CFD - Denotes Compression Force Deflection per ASTM D3574 Test C

*Polymer Density

**Particle size not to exceed 1/2"

***Ash content = 50% max.

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