



FIRE SAFETY

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COMPARATIVE BURNING TEST:

This test shows how flame retardant Trevira CS textiles (left) melt only slowly after the ignition source is extinguished, while conventional textiles (right) go up totally in flames.



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Fire testing standards for home textiles

	STANDARD	APPLICATION	IGNITION SOURCE	KIND OF IGNITION	CLASSIFICATION CRITERIA	TEST SPECIMEN	BURN CLASSIFICATION	ACHIEVABLE FOR TREVIRA CS	REMARKS	TEST INSTITUTES
EU Europe	EN 1101 Test	Decorative fabrics / drapes	Gas flame	Edge ignition	Determination of ignition time	Textile fabric	Ignition times	No ignition	After-burn time < 5 sec.	
	EN 13772 Test	Decorative fabrics / drapes	Radiator und small burner	Radiation, edge ignition	Ignition, burning debris falling from test item, flame spread (1st-3rd marker thread)	Textile fabric				
	EN 13773 Classification	Decorative fabrics / drapes	Test to EN 1101 and EN 13772				1 (highest requirement) 5 (lowest requirement)	Class 1	certificate EN 13773_EN 1021 (see www.trevira.com)	
	EN ISO 11925-2 Test	Building products	Small burner	Surface and edge ignition	Flame spread ≤150 mm within 20 sec to 60 sec	Textile fabric				
	EN 13823 (SBI) Test	Building products	Sand bed burner	Heat load from burner located in bottom corner	Heat release, smoke development, flame spread on edge and burning debris / droplets	2 vertical textile fabrics, perpendicularly arranged				
	EN 13501-1 Classification	Building products	Test to EN ISO 11925 and EN13823				Burn classes of building products A to E; smoke classes s1, s2, s3; droplet classes d0, d1, d2	Class B1-s1, d0	General Building Inspectorate Approval ("Allgemeine Bauaufsichtliche Zulassung" - see www.trevira.com)	
	EN ISO 12952-1+2 Test	Bedding	Cigarette, gas flame	Dependent on test specimen	Ignition	Bedding (sheet, bedspread, blanket, pillow)	Ignition / no ignition	No ignition		
	EN 14533 Classification	Bedding	Test to EN ISO 12952-1+2				A, B, C	Class A		
	EN 1021-1+2 Test	upholstery materials	Cigarette, gas flame	In fold between seat and back padding	Flame spread, damaged surface	Original upholstered furniture, or mock-up chair	Ignition / no ignition	No ignition	Foam density ≥ 30 kg/m ³ recommended	
AT Austria	EN 13773 Classification	Decorative fabrics / drapes	Test to EN 1101 and EN 13772				1 (highest requirement) 5 (lowest requirement)	Class 1	certificate EN 13773_EN 1021 (see www.trevira.com)	ÖTI Institut für Ökologie, Technik und Innovation GmbH der Stadt Wien, www.oeti.biz/oeti-de Prüf-, Überwachungs-und Zertifizierungsstelle der Stadt Wien www.wien.gv.at/forschung/laboratorien/ IBS - Institut für Brandschutztechnik und Sicherheitsforschung, www.ibs-austria.at
	OENORM A 3800-1 Test + Classification	Building products	B1 Schlyter burner	Surface ignition	Damaged surface, length remaining min. 40 cm	Textile fabric	Classes for: Combustibility (B), fume formation (Q), droplet formation (TR)	Classes: B1, Q1, TR1	OENORM EN 13773 is legally prescribed for decorative fabrics / drapes, OENORM 3820 has been withdrawn	
Österreichisches Normungsinstitut (ON) www.on-norm.at	OENORM B 3825	Upholstered furniture	Burner tube, gas flame	In fold between seat and back padding	Burn time, flame spread, after-burn time, after-glow time, fire side effects	Original upholstered furniture or mock-up chair	Flame retardant, normally flammable, easily flammable	Class Flame retardant	Flame retardant foam, density ≥ 30 kg/m ³ recommended	
CH Switzerland	EN 13501-1 Classification	Building products	Test to EN ISO 11925 and EN 13823				Burn classes of building products A to E; smoke classes s1, s2, s3; droplet classes d0, d1, d2	Class B-s1, d0	General Building Inspectorate Approval ("Allgemeine bauaufsichtliche Zulassung" - see www.trevira.com)	VKF ZIP AG, www.vkfzip.ch/de/
	SN 198898 Test	Building products, textiles	Burner, gas flame	Edge ignition vertical	Burn- and glow- time, speed of flame spread, damaged surface area	Textile fabric				
Schweizerische Normen-Vereinigung (SNV) www.snv.ch	Guidance for fire department regulations of VKF, Part B: test specifications and classifications	Building products, textiles	Burner, gas flame / standardized measuring box for smoke density test	Edge ignition vertical	Degree of combustibility and fumes	Textile fabric	Fire index number BKZ indicating combustibility grade: 3 easily flammable, 4 flammable, 5 flame retardant, 6 non-flammable and smoke formation classification: 1 high, 2 medium, 3 low	Class BKZ 5.3		
DE Germany	DIN 4102-1	Buildings, building materials, light to heavy decorative fabrics	B2: Small burner B1: Fire chamber	Edge ignition Surface ignition	B2: flame spread ≤150 mm within 20 sec B1: average residual length ≥150 mm, smoke temperature max. 200 °C	Textile fabric Textile fabric	B3 easily flammable, B2 normally flammable, B1 flame retardant, A non-flammable	Class B1	General Building Inspectorate Test Certificate („Allgemeines Bauaufsichtliches Prüfzeugnis“ - (see www.trevira.com)	Holzforschung, München, www.hfm.tum.de Warringtonfire, Frankfurt, www.warringtonfire.com
	DIN 66084 Classification	Upholstery fabrics, classification of upholstery in rolling stock	Paper cushion 100 g (Pa), gas flame (Pb), Cigarette (Pc)	In fold between seat and back padding	After-burn time, damaged surface	Original upholstered furniture or mock-up chair	Pa, Pb, Pc	Class Pa	Class Pa is achieved with the use of flame retardant foam. Tests according to DIN 54341 or EN 1021-1+2	MPA Stuttgart, www.mpa.uni-stuttgart.de Currenta Leverkusen, www.currenta.de
ES Spain	EN 13773 Classification	Decorative fabrics / drapes	Test to EN 1101 and EN 13772				1 (highest requirement) 5 (lowest requirement)	Class 1	certificate EN 13773_EN 1021 (see www.trevira.com)	AITEX, www.aitex.es Leitat - Centro Tecnológico C/ de la Innovació, www.leitat.org AFITI Sede Central y Laboratorios, www.afiti.com LGA Technological Center, S.A., www.appluscorp.com
	UNE 23723-27	Building materials, decorative fabrics, upholstery materials, curtains	Radiator and small burner	Radiation and surface ignition	After-burn time max. 5 sec., damaged surface, flame spread, burning debris / droplets	Textile fabric	M0 non-combustible, M1 non-flammable, M2 flame retardant, M3 flammable, M4 easily flammable	Class M1	UNE EN 13773 applied for decorative fabrics / drapes	
Asociación Española de Normalización y Certificación (AENOR), www.aenor.es										
FR BE LU France, Belgium, Luxembourg	NF P 92-503-507	Building materials, decorative fabrics, upholstery materials, curtains	Radiator and small burner Brûleur électrique	Radiation and surface ignition	After-burn time max. 5 sec, damaged surface, flame spread, burning debris / droplets	Textile fabric	M0 non-combustible, M1 non-flammable, M2 flame retardant, M3 flammable, M4 easily flammable	Class M1		F.C.B.A., France, www.fcba.fr L.N.E., France, www.lne.fr IFTH, France, www.ifth.org Centexbel Ghent, Belgium, www.centexbel.be
	NF D 60-013 (Article AM 18)	Upholstery materials	Propane gas burner according to 20 g paper cushion	Surface ignition	Damaged side length (< 200 mm), loss of mass (<300 g)	Mock-up chair including upholstery fabric, interliner and foam	Passed / not passed	Passed	Trevira CS fabrics pass this test with appropriate flame retardant foam material	
Association Française de Normalisation										
GB Great Britain	BS 5438 (withdrawn), BS 5867	Textiles, curtains, decorative fabrics	Small burner	Surface ignition	Burn time, burn-in time, after-burn time, after-glow time, droplets	Textile fabric	Type A (low requirement), Type B (medium), Type C (high requirement)	Part 2, Type C passed		BSI Testing, www.bsigroup.com BTTG Testing Certification, www.bttg.co.uk SGS Leicester Whittle Estate, www.sgs.com Warringtonfire Frankfurt, www.warringtonfire.com West Yorkshire Materials Testing Service, www.mat.wyjs.org.uk
	BS 5852 Test	Upholstery materials	Cigarette, gas flame / crib 5, crib 7	In fold between seat and back padding Combustion of wooden crib of defined size	Flame spread, damaged surface, burn time	Original upholstered furniture or mock-up chair	Ignition / no ignition	No ignition	Trevira CS fabrics pass this test for the contract sector in combination with appropriate flame retardant foam materials of a density of ≥ 50 kg/m ³ (crib 5)and/or ≥ 90 kg/m ³ (crib 7). For the private sector the Consumer Protection Act Nr. 1324 prescribes the test on normally combustible foam. With Trevira CS a fireblocker must be used.	
British Standards Institution (BSI) www.bsi-global.com										
	BS 7176 Classification	Upholstery materials	Test to EN 1021-1+2 and BS 5852 crib 5, crib 7				Low, medium, high and very high hazard	Class High hazard		
IT Italy	BS 476 part 7	Building materials	Pilot flame, radiant panel	Surface ignition	Flame spread	865 x 265 mm	Class 1, 2, 3, 4	Class 1	Test on calcium silicate board and PVA adhesive	
	UNI VF 8456	Curtains	Small burner	Edge ignition	After-burn time	Textile fabric	I (flame retardant), II (flammable), III (easily flammable), IV (ignitable), V (easily ignitable)	Class I		CSI S.p.A., www.csi-spa.com L.S. Fire Testing Institute s.r.l., www.lsfire.it LAPI S.p.A., www.lapi-spa.it
	UNI VF 8457	Home textiles	Small burner	Surface ignition	After-burn time	Textile fabric	I (flame retardant), II (flammable), III (easily flammable), IV (ignitable), V (easily ignitable)	Class I		
	UNI VF 9174	Home textiles / curtains	(Gas flame) Gas radiator	Surface ignition	Flame spread, after-glow time, damaged surface, fall of burning debris/droplets	Textile fabric	Level 1, 2, 3	Level 2		
	UNI VF 9175	Upholstery materials	Small burner gas flame	In fold between seat and back padding	After-burn time	Original upholstered furniture or mock-up chair	Class 1IM to 3IM	Class 1IM	In combination with upholstery of the same burn class	
Ente Nazionale di Unificazione (UNI) www.uni.com										
IS DK SE NO FI Scandinavian countries	EN standards are applied (Europe)									Teknologisk Institut Beklædning og Textil, Denmark, www.teknologisk.dk Dansk Brand- og Sikringsteknisk Institut, Denmark, http://en.dbi-net.dk SP Sveriges Tekniska Forskningsinstitut, Sweden, www.sp.se Sintef, Norway, www.sintef.no Swerea Ivf, Sweden, www.swerea.se/ivf/ Møbellaboratoriet AVS, Norway, www.mobellab.no
	SIS, Swedish Standards Institute, www.sis.se Standards Norway, www.standard.no DS Danish Standards, www.ds.dk									
NL Netherlands	NEN 6065	Curtains, decorative fabrics (building products)	Radiant panel	Radiation	Speed of flame spread	Textile fabric	Classes 1-5	Class 1		Efectis Nederland (former TNO), www.effectis.com Peutz, www.peutz.nl/faciliteiten/laboratorium-voor-brandveiligheid
	NEN 6066	Building products	Conical radiator	Radiation	Production of smoke	Textile fabric	Smoke density DL; max	DL below 5,4 m ⁻¹		
Nederlands Normalisatie-Instituut (NEN) www.nen.nl										
RU Russia	GOST 30402-96	Building products: decorative fabrics, floor coverings, ceiling material	Radiator	Surface radiation	Critical density of heat stream	Textile fabric	Ignitability classes: V1, V2, V3	Class V1 (low flammability)	analogous ISO 5657	All Russian Institute For Fire Protection, www.pojtest.ru
	GOST 30244-94	Building products: decorative fabrics, floor coverings, ceiling material	Small burner, fire shaft	Edge ignition	Damaged surface, average residual length 150 mm, smoke gas temperature max. 200°C	Textile fabric	low, normal, flame retardant, non-flammable	Class: Flame retardant	analogous DIN 4102	
	GOST R 50810-95	Solar shading, curtains, door curtains	Propane gas flame	Surface and edge ignition	Flame spread, damaged length	Textile fabric	After-burn time max. 5 sec, no burn through to edges, no ignition of CO-pads, average maximum length of carbonization 150 mm, no flame spread > 1 mm	Passed	analogous IMO, FTP Code 2010, Annex 1, Part 7	
	GOST 12.1.044-89	Upholstery materials	Pilot burner and heater	Radiation und edge ignition	Development of smoke, flame spread, toxicity	Textile fabric	Coefficient of smoke formation: low D1, medium D2, high D3; flame spread indices: None, slow, rapid flame spread, toxicity: low, moderate, high, very high	Class D2: Smoke development medium, Flame spread slow, Class 2: Toxicity low		
	NPB 257-2002	Furniture, bedding	Cigarette, small flame	Dependent on test specimen	Ignition	Textile fabric	Ignition / no ignition	No ignition	analogous EN ISO 12952	

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UAE United Arab Emirates Emirates Authority for Standards and Metrology (ESMA), www.esma.ae	EN 13772 / EN 13773	Drapes, curtains	Radiator and small burner	Radiation, edge ignition	Ignition, burning debris / droplets, flame spread (1st - 3rd marker thread);	Textile fabric	1 (highest requirement) 5 (lowest requirement)	Class 1		Dubai Municipality / Dubai Central Laboratory Department, www.dcl.ae
	EN 1021-1+2, BS 5852	Upholstery materials	Cigarette, gas flame, crib 5	In fold between seat and back padding; combustion of wooden crib of defined size	Flame spread, damaged surface, burn time	Original upholstered furniture or mock-up chair	Ignition / no ignition	No ignition	A suitable foam material is recommended for the respective standard	
AU NZ Australia, New Zealand Standards Australia, www.standards.org.au Standards Newzealand, www.standards.co.nz	AS / NZS 1530.2 and 1530.3	Building materials, components and structures	Vertical gas-operated ceramic panel, small gas flame to ignite burning gases from test specimen	Test item is moved progressively towards heat source	Ignitability index, flame propagation, heat release index, smoke release index	600 x 450 mm	Flame spread index ≤ 9, smoke index ≤ 8, heat index ≤ 10, ignition index ≤ 20	Passed		Australian Wool Testing Authority Ltd – trading as AWTA Textile Testing www.awta.com.au
	GB 8624-2012 Classification	Building materials and products	Various	Varying, as a variety of tests are applied	Oxygen index (GB/T 5454, analogous ISO 4589), burning behavior (GB/T 5455)	Various as different tests are applied	Classes A to F	Class B1		Sichuan Fire Research Institute, www.scfri.cn/english
JP Japan Japanese Standards Association (JSA), www.jsa.or.jp	JIS L1091	Building products, curtains, furniture, bedding	45° micro burner, 45° coil test	Microburner	After-burn time, after-glow time, charred area, number of flame contacts with test specimen	100 x 200 mm	Passed / not passed	Passed		JFRA Japan Fire Retardant Association, www.jfra.or.jp
	KOFEIS 1001, article 20 clause 2; ASTM E 662 (smoke density), ISO 5659-2 (melting materials)	Drapes, blinds, roller blinds, Wall coverings	45° coil test	Microburner (thin materials), Meckel Burner (thick materials)	After-burn time, after-glow time, charred area, number of flame contacts with test specimen	350 x 250 mm	Passed / not passed	Passed		FITI Testing & Research Institute, www.fiti.re.kr
TW Taiwan Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection MOEA, www.taiwan.gov.tw	CNS 10285 L3196 A-1 + A-2	Home textiles	Gas flame 45°C	45° Test	After-burn time, after-glow time, charred area and length	350 x 250 mm	Class 1 and 2	Class 1		TTRI Taiwan Textile Research Institute, www.ttri.org.tw
	UFAC California TB 116 California TB 117:2013 California TB 133 BOF 14-1, replaced by TB 117 NFPA 701 NFPA 260 NFPA 265 ASTM E 84	Upholstery materials Upholstery materials Upholstery materials Upholstery materials Upholstery materials Curtains and decorative fabrics Upholstery materials Wall coverings Flooring and wall coverings	Cigarette Cigarette Cigarette 18-kW-flame 18-kW-flame 100-mm-gas flame Cigarette covered by linen cloth 40 and 50 kW gas burner Gas flame in Steiner tunnel	In fold between seat and back padding Center and edge of seat surface, arm rest, upper back rest, in fold between seat and back padding Cigarette put on a mock-up chair Ring gas burner Ring gas burner Flame captures both sides of the lower edge In fold between horizontal and vertical panel covered with fabric Fully lined fire test room Flames along tunnel roof	Smoldering: maximum 45 minutes, char development: less than 45 mm, no open flaming	Ignition and length of charring Flame spread and smoke formation	Small mock-up chair Normal chair or large mock-up Mock-up chair Normal chair or large mock-up Normal chair or large mock-up 150 x 400 mm Textile fabric mounted on two panels 23 m ² 7,3 m x 5 m	Passed / not passed Passed / not passed Section 1 (passed) Passed / not passed Passed / not passed Passed / not passed (weight loss and dripping melt) Class I, class II (= not passed) Passed / not passed, speed of heat release Class I Passed Class A	Passed Passed Section 1, cover fabric passed Passed Passed Passed Class I Passed Class A	Voluntary in the USA Mandatory in California, Illinois, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Ohio Mandatory in risk areas in California, Illinois, Maine, Maryland, Mass, Minnesota, Ohio, North Carolina, City of Boston Mandatory in risk areas in Boston Mandatory in supervised areas. Also applies to tents, wall hangings and other vertically hanging fabrics
TR Turkey Turkish Standards Institution www.tse.org.tr	Turkey adopted legislation in the construction sector on the publication of technical specifications and national and EU technical approvals, on conformity verification systems and on reaction-to-fire aspects of construction products. The current Turkish structural codes are not based on a single source of codes (American, German, British Standards). Source: http://eurocodes.jrc.ec.europa.eu/doc/2013_12_WS_Balkan/presentations/CR_Turkey.pdf									

Fire testing standards for textiles for the transport sector

	STANDARD	END USE / APPLICATION	BURN CLASSIFICATION
Aviation Federal Aviation Administration, www.faa.gov	FAR/CS 25.853 ABD 0031	Dividing curtains, seat upholstery, blankets Dividing curtains, seat upholstery, blankets	Passed Passed
	EN 45545-2 DIN 5510-2 BS 6853 NF 16-101, 16102 UNI CEI 11170-1, -3 PN-K-02511, 02502 UIC 564-2	Curtains, seat upholstery, bedding Curtains, seat upholstery, bedding Curtains, seat upholstery, bedding Curtains, seat upholstery, bedding Curtains, seat upholstery, bedding Curtains, seat upholstery, bedding Curtains, seat upholstery, bedding	HL 3 (for seats: use of an appropriate foam) Pa, S4, SR2, ST2 (for seats: use of an appropriate foam) R≤ 0.5 F1 1 IM Passed Class A
Maritime (IMO) Marine Equipment Directive, www.mared.org	FTP Code 2010, Res. MSC.307(88), Annex 1, Part 7	Drapes, decorative fabrics	Passed
	FTP Code 2010, Res. MSC.307(88), Annex 1, Part 8	Upholstered furniture	Passed
	FTP Code 2010, Res. MSC.307(88), Annex 1, Part 5	Wall covering	Passed
	FTP Code 2010, Res. MSC.307(88), Annex 1, Part 9	Bedding	Passed

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