# Textile floor coverings — Minimum requirements for carpet underlays

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# National foreword

This British Standard is the official English language version of EN 14499:2004. This publication partially supersedes BS 5808:1991.

This British standard compliments BS 5808:1991 (which is not withdrawn) in that it sets out minimum criteria for carpet underlays but does not include a classification system for underlays.

The main differences in the minimum performance requirements are that this standard has requirements for short-term static loading, minimum thickness and appearance retention. BS 5808:1991 has minimum requirements for compression, which are not included in this standard.

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