The Australian Carpet Classification Scheme

The Australian Carpet Classification Scheme (ACCS), is a national carpet grading scheme covering all types of carpet and all carpet fibres.

ACCS carpets are independently tested according to established procedures and internationally recognised tests.

The carpets are then graded by a Panel of experts which determines suitability for use in Residential and/or Contract installations and with different walking traffic conditions, classified by the Scheme as light; medium; heavy and extra heavy.

Carpets graded by the ACCS carry distinctive labels featuring a ‘star’ rating system – six stars for residential and four stars for contract or commercial. The more stars the better the carpet quality and performance.

The ACCS makes the process of selecting carpet easier as comparisons of expected performance can be made between products, quickly and confidently.

There are 3,500 carpets registered with the ACCS and around 300 new products are being graded each year.

All ACCS graded carpets carry a minimum two year warranty, supported by the manufacturer or supplier. The warranty does not cover carpet damaged by furniture with castor wheels.

For further information on the operation of the ACCS, visit www.carpetinstitute.com.au or contact the Carpet Institute of Australia on 1800 188 822

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