



POPLAR FACE GRADES

GRADE	FACE DESCRIPTION
	GRADE A: Face that can remain visible, ideal for any type of finish (veneering, clear varnishing, satin finishing, etc.). A few pin knots or sound, tight knots without cracks are permitted. Very slight discoloration and minor, well-executed filling or repairs color-matched to the rest of the surface are also permitted.
	GRADE B: "Natural" face, with color variations and sound knots, suitable for laminate overlays, pigmented paints or lacquers. Sound, tight knots up to 35 mm in diameter are permitted; small loose knots or cracks, provided they are well filled. Low-contrast discoloration, occasional glue stains, and well-executed repairs and filling are also permitted.
	GRADE BB: "Open" face, filled on request, suitable for non-visible applications. Sound, tight knots up to 50 mm in diameter are permitted; loose knots, cracks, bark inclusions, overlaps. Discoloration (provided it is sound), glue stains, and repairs and filling of any extent are permitted.
	GRADE C: Face of plywood intended for packaging or similar uses. All natural wood characteristics and various manufacturing defects are permitted, provided their extent does not impair the functionality of the plywood (e.g. fungal attack and ferrous inclusions are not permitted).