



CLASSIFICATION CRITERIA – AS/NZS 4586 - 2004

Compliance

TABLE 1
TEST AND CLASSIFICATIONS COMBINATIONS

Test conditions	Test method	Classification table to be used
Wet pendulum	Appendix A	Table 2
Wet pendulum and dry floor friction	Appendices A and B	Tables 2 and 3
Dry floor friction	Appendix B	Table 3*

*Samples tested under dry conditions only are assumed to have a default wet classification of Z and shall be reported as classification ZF or ZG.

TABLE 2
CLASSIFICATION OF PEDESTRIAN SURFACE MATERIALS
ACCORDING TO THE WET PENDULUM TEST

Class	Pendulum* mean BPN	
	Four S rubber	TRRL rubber
V	>54	>44
W	45-54	40-44
X	35-44	-
Y	25-34	-
Z	<25	-

*While either of these test methods may be used, the test report shall specify which method was used.

NOTE: It is expected that these surfaces will have greater slip resistance when dry.

TABLE 3
CLASSIFICATION OF PEDESTRIAN SURFACE MATERIALS
ACCORDING TO THE DRY FLOOR FRICTION TEST

Classification	Floor friction tester mean value
F	≥0.4
G	<0.4

Means of demonstrating compliance

Pedestrian surfaces that are classified in accordance with Table 2 and, where appropriate, Table 3 shall meet the following criteria:

- (a) The mean test results shall be as follows:
 - (i) For the classifications in Table 2, the mean of the test results shall be within the relevant criteria set out in the Table, and each individual result shall be equal to or above the lower limit for the classification or, if below the classification, within the mean of the result minus 20%. If either of these criteria is not met, the lot shall be considered to be a lower classification.
 - (ii) For Classification F in Table 3, the mean of the test results shall be equal to or greater than 0.4 and each individual result shall be equal to or greater than 0.35. If either of these criteria is not met, the lot shall be considered to be Classification G.
- (b) The classification in accordance with Table 2 or Table 3 shall be determined by –
 - (i) selecting and testing at least five specimens at random as defined in Appendices A and B; or
 - (ii) carrying out continuous testing and process control in accordance with AS 3942.
- (c) When testing individual lots, if a particular test fails to produce the expected classification it shall be permissible to:-
 - (i) disregard the first sample, re-sample a minimum of 10 specimens from the whole lot, retest and apply the criteria to the new sample; or
 - (ii) subdivide the lot into smaller lots of different quality, re-sample, retest and reclassify each of the smaller lots.