

Plywood Grades				
Interior Grade	Face	Back	Inner Plies	Common Uses
A-A	A	A	D	Cabinet doors, built-ins, and furniture where both sides show.
A-B	A	B	D	Alternate for A-A. Face is finish grade; back is solid and smooth.
A-D	A	D	D	Finish grade face for paneling, built-ins, and backing.
B-D	B	D	D	Utility grade. One paintable side. For backing, cabinet sides, etc.
C-D	C	D	D	Sheathing and structural uses such as temporary enclosures, subfloor. Unsanded.
Underlayment	C-Plugged	D	C,D	For underlayment or combination subfloor-underlayment under tile and carpeting.
Exterior Grade	Face	Back	Inner Plies	Common Uses
A-A	A	A	C	Outdoors, where appearance of both sides is important.
A-B	A	B	C	Alternate for A-A, where appearance of one side is less important. Face is finish grade.
A-C	A	C	C	Soffits, fences, base for coatings.
B-C	B	C	C	For utility uses such as farm buildings, some kinds of fences, base for coatings.
C-C (Plugged)	C-Plugged	C	C	Excellent base for tile, backing for wall coverings, high-performance coatings.
C-C	C	C	C	Unsanded, for backing and rough construction exposed to weather.