



Product: Carpet Underlay & Adhesive

Product Name	Carpet Underlay & Adhesive	
Product type	Flooring	
Sub-Product type		
Trading name(s)		
Other name(s)		
Product description	Asbestos was carried in hessian bags from Wittenoon in Western Australia which was then subsequently used in some carpet underlay. Also asbestos was used in the adhesive to glue down the carpet underlay which is usually a black bitumous material.	
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Build element		
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Known uses	Carpet underlay
Asbestos fibre type	Crocidolite (blue asbestos)
Friable or Non-Friable	Non-Friable
Known Supplier(s)	
Known place of manufacture	Wittenoon Western Australia
Date / period of manufacture	1930s-1966
Building construction period	1931-1940,1941-1950,1951-1960,1961-1970,1970-1980,1981-1990
Location	Domestic home
	 Bathroom Dining room Dog kennels Flooring & covering

Commercial

• Flooring

Industrial

• Flooring

Product images

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carpet underlay Photo Courtesy of WA Health - logo.jpg		
Name	Carpet Underlay	
Caption	Sample of carpet underlay	
Location	Domestic home	
Source	WA Health	
Image Id	42	



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Name	Carpet 2
Caption	Carpet which has asbestos underlay beneath i
Location	Domestic home
Source	Asbestos Education Committee
Image Id	51



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Name Carpet Underlay - adhesive

Caption	Asbestos was used in the adhesive to glue down the carpet underlay which is usually a black bitumous material.
Location	Domestic home

Source Safe Environments

Image 118 Id



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Name	Carpet Underlay 2
Caption	Asbestos Carpet Underlay - light coloured hessian seen on left.
Location	Domestic home
Source	Safe Environments
Image Id	119



IMG_0518.JPG Name Carpet Underlay - Glue

Caption Asbestos was used in the adhesive to glue down the carpet underlay which is usually a black bitumous

	material. This photo is of carpet being directly glued to the ground.
Location	Domestic home
Source	Asbestos Education Committee
Image Id	120