

Product: Carpet Underlay & Adhesive

Product Name	Carpet Underlay & Adhesive
Product type	Flooring
Sub-Product type	
Trading name(s)	
Other name(s)	
Product description	<p>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.</p> <p>Asbestos was used in the adhesive to glue down the carpet underlay which is usually a black bitumous material.</p>
Build element	
Product identification	<p>The exact characteristics of the suspect underlay are not fully known. However, it is likely to be brown in colour and look like a fibrous mat. It is also likely to be compacted as it has been under the carpet and walked on. In most cases, the underlay was either glued on to a concrete floor or stapled on to a timber floor. Other types of underlay (eg. rubber, foam) are not known to contain asbestos.</p> <p>Asbestos was used in the adhesive to glue down the carpet underlay which is usually a black bitumous material.</p>
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	<p>Domestic home</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bathroom • Dining room • Dog kennels • Flooring & covering <p>Commercial</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flooring

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- Flooring

Product images



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 it.
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 bituminous material.

Location Domestic home

Source Safe Environments

Image Id 118



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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



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Name Carpet Underlay - Glue

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

material. This photo is of carpet being directly glued to the ground.

Location Domestic home

Source Asbestos Education Committee

Image 120

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