

## NSF/ANSI Standard 140



### Improve Your Sustainability Profile

#### ***Certify to NSF/ANSI Standard 140 for Commercial Carpets and Rugs***

Manufacturers, suppliers, architects, designers and government procurement now have a U.S. National Standard for the production of sustainable carpets and rugs: NSF/ANSI 140, Sustainable Carpet Assessment. Written through a public process by a multi-stakeholder group of manufacturers, suppliers, regulatory agencies, customers, end-users, academia and other industry participants, the standard enables organizations throughout the carpet supply chain to achieve sustainable attributes and demonstrate compliance.

**Independent certification to NSF 140 provides you the highest level of credibility in a marketplace with numerous and confusing green claims.**

#### Standard 140 Overview

Based on life cycle assessment principles, NSF 140 employs an easy-to-use point system with established performance requirements and quantifiable metrics in six key areas:

- Public Health and Environment
- Energy and Energy Efficiency
- Bio-Based, Recycled Content Materials or Environmentally Preferable Materials
- Manufacturing
- Reclamation and End of Life Management
- Innovation



Platinum Certified  
NSF/ANSI 140 - 2007e  
Sustainable Carpet Assessment

Certification is granted in one of three levels – Platinum, Gold or Silver – consistent with how many points are earned.

#### Certification Benefits

There are numerous benefits for manufacturers to certify products to a U.S. national standard. NSF 140 certification will allow manufacturers to:

- Distinguish your “green” products from your competitors, making you a preferred vendor to those seeking sustainable solutions.
- Meet state and Federal procurement guidelines.
- Achieve the most credible type of certification available in the marketplace.
- Save money by adopting more sustainable operational practices and business approaches.

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## **Why Choose NSF International?**

- **Reliable, consistent results:** As the standard development organization, NSF knows the requirements inside and out, and the intent behind each key area.
- **Meet your expanding needs:** NSF is a leading worldwide third-party registrar with programs such as ISO 14001, ISO 9000 and Greenhouse Gas verification and Forestry certification services.
- **International Service:** NSF conducts audits in 101 countries around the world and has a large network of international auditors.
- **Exceptional Customer Service:** NSF will provide you with a single point of contact to guide you through the process.
- **Cost effective:** NSF pricing is very competitive. Each proposal is carefully tailored to the individual client. Discounts may be available for multiple services.
- **Peace of Mind:** NSF draws upon a 60-year history of laboratory testing, product review, validation, and technical excellence.

## **Background**

The Carpet and Rug Institute (CRI) set out to provide the commercial market with a single easy-rating certification system for carpet and rugs. A multi-stakeholder committee was formed with balanced representation from the end user, manufacturer, and regulatory groups. With the assistance of NSF International, a leader in standards development and product certification, the ANSI-accredited Sustainable Carpet Assessment Standard was developed in late 2007. The standard allows transparency and open understanding regarding conformance requirements, allowing for more understandable and meaningful marketplace comparisons.

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