# COLOREX SD / EC

FORBO FLOORING SYSTEMS
CONDUCTIVE HOMOGENEOUS VINYL FLOOR COVERING

Colorex SD 150204 Montblanc





Colorex is an advanced technical flooring system specifically designed to control static discharge in sensitive areas such as cleanrooms, operation theatres and the electronic industry. Not only does Colorex provide an advanced technical solution, it is also aesthetically pleasing, enhancing any commercial interior from industrial to educational establishments. Forbo was the first flooring manufacturer to publish a complete Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) report verified by CML in 2000 to create full transparency that is independently evaluated. To offer further transparency this EPD is also including additional information to show the impacts on human health and eco-toxicity. For more information visit; www.forbo-flooring.com





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## **1 Product Definition**

## 1.1 Description of Company/Organization

Forbo Flooring Systems is an international market leader with a wealth of experience in ESD and cleanroom flooring. We offer several flooring solutions that meet the requirements of the most demanding and critical controlled environments, like a highly sensitive cleanroom area, a demanding production site or a hygienic healthcare facility.

For its complete manufacturing of Colorex, Forbo holds all the main certifications. For environmental performance ISO 14001, for quality ISO 9001, SA8000 for social accountability and ISO 45001 for Occupational Health and Safety Management Systems.

### 1.2 Product Classification and description

Colorex is an advanced technical flooring system, specifically designed to control static discharge in sensitive areas such as cleanrooms, operating theatres and electronics industry, complying with all the requirements of EN-ISO 10581: Specification for homogeneous poly(vinyl chloride) floor coverings. Colorex is made basically from PVC which is the most widely used polymer today, DOTP, a non-phthalate plasticiser, in the lowest possible amount among the standard vinyl flooring, very fine and white calcium carbonate coming from the marble quarries of Carrara (Italy), 68% of which is recycled, conductive water based binder, containing a special carbon black compound, forming the network of conductive veins in the finished tiles.

Colorex is produced by Forbo Flooring for more than 60 years and is sold worldwide. This declaration refers to Colorex SD / EC tiles of 2.0 mm nominal thickness and covers a wide range of colors.

Colorex is build up in one homogeneous layer as illustrated in the figure 1.



Figure 1: Typical construction

This declaration refers to the declared/functional unit of 1 m<sup>2</sup> installed flooring product.





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#### 1.3 Range of application

Colorex is classified in accordance with EN-ISO 10581 to be installed in the following use areas defined in EN-ISO 10874:

Area of application	
Commercial	Class 34
Industrial	Class 43







**Examples of use areas** 

#### 1.4 Product Standard

The products considered in this EPD have the following technical specifications:

- Meets or exceeds all technical requirements in EN-ISO 10581 Resilient floor coverings Homogeneous polyvinyl chloride floor coverings – Specification
- o Meets or exceeds all technical requirements in ASTM F 1700 Standard Specification for solid vinyl floor tile

Colorex meets the requirements of EN 14041 and BS EN 14041												
CE UK												
	V CA											
EN 13501-1	Reaction to fire	B <sub>fl</sub> - s1										
EN 13893	Slip resistance	DS: ≥ 0,30										
EN 1815	Body voltage	< 2 kV										
EN ISO10456	Thermal conductivity	0,25 W/mK										

## Fire Testing:

 Class 1 when tested in accordance with ASTM E 648/NFPA 253, Standard Test Method for Critical Radiant Flux.



# **Environment**



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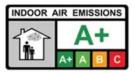
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 Meets 450 or less when tested in accordance with ASTM E 662/NFPA 258, Standard Test Method for Smoke Density

### Emission testing:

- o AgBB requirements following EN ISO 16000-9 Indoor Air Emissions: TVOC at 28 days
- o French act Grenelle: A+
- o Compliant with CHPS 01350 requirements for VOC emissions and indoor air quality





#### 1.5 Accreditation

All Forbo Flooring Systems' manufacturing operations have certified Management System in accordance with:

- o ISO 9001 Quality Management System
- ISO 14001 Environmental Management System
- o ISO 45001 Occupational Health and Safety Management Systems
- o SA 8000 Social Accountability standard

## 1.6 Delivery Status

Table 1: Specification of delivered product

Characteristics	Nominal Value	Unit
Product thickness	2.00	mm
Product Weight	3.10	kg/m²
Tiles Width x Length	615 x 615	mm





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## **2 Material Content**

#### 2.1 Material Content of the Product

Table 2: Composition of Colorex

Component	Component Material			Availability					
Component	Imponent Material		Renewable Recycled Non-Renewable		[%]	Origin			
Din don	PVC			Limited	45	Europe			
Binder	DOTP			Limited	12	Europe/Asia			
Filler	Calcium carbonate			Abundant mineral	10	Europe			
Filler	Recycled calcium carbonate		X		26	Europe			
Pigment	Titanium dioxide, carbon black and inorganic pigments			Limited mineral	4	Europe			
Stabilizers and process additives	Proprietary mixtures & lubricants			Limited	3	Europe			

#### 2.2 Production of Main Materials

**PVC**: Polymer which is produced by the polymerization of vinyl chloride monomer.

**DOTP:** A non-phthalate plasticizer, being the diester of terephthalic acid and the branched-chain 2-ethylhexanol. This colorless viscous liquid used for softening PVC plastics is known for chemical similarity to general purpose phthalates such as DEHP and DINP, but without any negative regulatory pressure.

**Stabilizer Ca/Zn:** Mixed metal stabilizer made from calcium and zinc stearate. It is used to avoid PVC degradation during processing at relative high temperature.

**Calcium carbonate:** An abundant mineral found in all parts of the world as the chief substance in rocks (i.e., marble and limestone). It can be ground to varying particle sizes and is widely used as filler.

**Titanium dioxide:** A white pigment produced from the mineral rutile, a naturally occurring form of titanium dioxide. The production of the pigment is a large-scale chemical process.

Carbon black: Carbon black is a black pigment used in various applications as an electric conductive agent





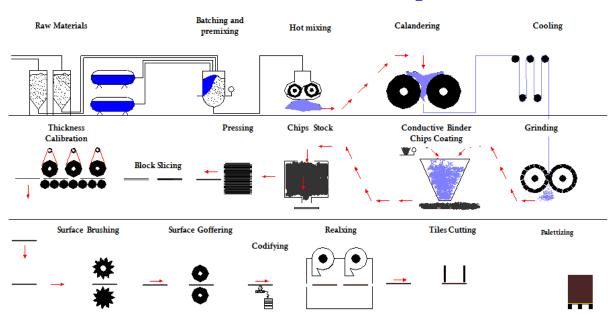
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## 3 Production of the Floor Covering

#### 3.1 Manufacturing

# **Colorex Production process**



Colorex is produced starting with a first neutral premix with: PVC, plasticizer, process aids, filler and titanium dioxide mixed together in a horizontal mixer.

A portion of this premix is transferred in a heated mixing system adding pigments, reused waste (if applicable) and colored chips (made before, with the same process). At the end of the mixing process, a hot colored soft mass is obtained.

The mass is fed directly into the calender obtaining a hot vinyl sheet which is gradually brought to room temperature. The solid vinyl sheet is milled into tiny square pieces called "chips". The chips are coated with a conductive coating. This coating will later be the path for the drainage of electrostatic charges.

After a drying process, the coated chips are placed into steel molds and pressed in as static press. As the blocks are still hot, they are sliced horizontally into tiles obtaining its homogeneous structure.

After slicing, the surface of the tiles is grinded, brushed and polished to obtain a smooth and pore-free surface. This will ease maintenance, cleaning and disinfection in hygiene critical areas.

To release any internal stresses and thus ensure an entire dimensional stability, the tiles are relaxed in a tempering oven prior to final cutting to size and automatically stacked on pallets, ready for delivery.

### 3.2 Production Waste

Residual material and the cuttings of the trimming stage are being reused in the manufacturing process. Packaging materials are being collected separately and externally recycled.





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## 4 Delivery and Installation of the Floor Covering

#### 4.1 Delivery

A worldwide distribution by truck and container ship is considered. On average every square meter of Colorex is transported as follows:

Transport distance 40 t truck
 Transport distance 7.5t truck (Fine distribution)
 Capacity utilization trucks (including empty runs)
 Transport distance Ocean ship
 Capacity utilization Ocean ship
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#### 4.2 Installation

Because of the specific techniques used during the installation of Colorex approximately 1.2% of the material is cut off as installation waste. For installation of Colorex on the floor a scenario has been modeled assuming 0.22 kg/m² of adhesive is applied to the sub-floor. Forbo flooring recommends using (low) zero emission adhesives for installing Colorex floorcovering.

Cardboard boxes and packaging paper can be collected separately and should be used in a local recycling process. In the calculation model 100% incineration is taken into account for which there is a credit received.

Waste during the installation process may be recycled as floor covering through the manufacturer's facility. Forbo Flooring has a Back to The Floor program in which both post-installation and end of life flooring can be recycled.



#### 6 Use stage

The service lifetime of a floor covering for a certain application on a floor is too widespread to give one common number. For this EPD model the reference service lifetime (RSL) is set to one year. This means that all impacts for the use phase are based on the cleaning and maintenance model for one year. Depending on the area of use, the technical lifetime advised by the manufacturer and the estimated time on the floor by the customer, the service lifetime can be determined. The use phase impacts should be multiplied with the foreseen service life to calculate the total environmental impact.





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## **6.1 Cleaning and Maintenance**

Level of use	Cleaning Process	Cleaning Frequency	Consumption of energy and resources
Commercial/Residential/Industrial	Dust mopping	Daily	-
	Damp mopping	Once a week	Hot water
			Neutral detergent

For the calculations the following cleaning regime is considered:

- Dry cleaning with a dust mop
- Once a week wet cleaning with 0.062 l/m² water and 0.0008 kg/m² detergent. This result in the use of 3.224 l/m²\*year water and 0.04 kg/m²\*year detergent. The wet cleaning takes place without power machine usage. Waste water treatment of the arising waste water from cleaning is considered.

The cleaning regime that is recommended in practice will be highly dependent on the use of the premises where the floor covering is installed. In high traffic areas more frequent cleaning will be needed compared to areas where there is low traffic. The use of an entrance mat of at least four steps will reduce the cleaning frequency.

## **6.2 Prevention of Structural Damage**

All newly laid floor covering should be covered and protected with a suitable non-staining protective covering if other building activities are still in progress. Use protective feet on chairs and tables to reduce scratching. Castor wheels should be suitable for resilient floor coverings

#### 7 End of Life

For recycling purposes both the subfloor and the floor covering need to remain as intact as possible at the End of Life stage and contamination of the material needs to be avoided. Therefore the deconstruction of installed Colorex from the floor is done mechanically with a special floor stripper.

The electrical energy needed for this is estimated to be 0.03 kWh/sqm, this amount of energy is taken into account for the calculations, although currently circularity has not yet been achieved on a large scale for floor coverings.

For the end of life stage two scenarios have been calculated assuming that the flooring is either 100% incinerated or 100% landfilled.





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## **8 Life Cycle Assessment**

A full Life Cycle Assessment has bee carried out according to ISO 14040 and ISO 14044.

- A1-3: Product Stage (Raw material acquisition, transportation to Manufacturing and Manufacturing)
- A4-5: Construction process stage (Transport Gate to User, installation flooring)
- B2: Use Stage (Maintenance of the floor). For floor coverings the modules B1, B3 to B7 are not relevant to the environmental performance of a product.
- C1-4: End of Life Stage (Deconstruction, transport, waste processing, Disposal). Two different End of Life scenarios are declared and the results are indicated separately in module C. Each scenario is calculated as a 100% scenario:
  - Scenario 1: 100% Municipal Waste Incineration (MWI) with R<sub>1</sub> > 60%
  - Scenario 2: 100% landfill disposal
- D: Benefits and loads beyond the system boundary (Reuse, recovery, recycling potential)

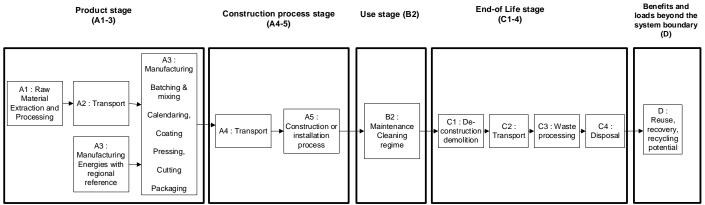


Figure 2: Flow chart of the Life Cycle Assessment

Comparisons of different floor coverings are only allowed, where EN 15804 consistent and/or preverified background data and EN 15804 consistent calculation methods and database versions are used and when the building context is taken into account, i.e. on the basis of the same use-classification (EN ISO 10874), same service life and comparable assumptions for the end of life.

#### 8.1 Description of the Declared Functional Unit

The functional unit is one square meter of installed product and the use stage is considered for one year of service life.

#### 8.2 Cut off Criteria

The cut-off criteria shall be 1% of renewable and non-renewable primary energy usage and 1% of the total mass of the unit process. The total neglected input flows per module shall be a maximum of 5% of energy usage and mass. In practice, in this assessment, all data from the production data acquisition are considered, i.e. all raw materials used as per formulation, use of water, electricity and other fuels, the required packaging materials, and all direct production waste. Transport data on all considered inputs and output material are also considered.





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#### 8.3 Allocations

In the present study some allocations have been made. Detailed explanations can be found in the chapters below.

#### 8.4 Co-product allocation

No co-product allocation occurs in the product system.

#### 8.5 Allocation of multi-input processes

The Production and End of Life stage include incineration plants. In these processes different products are treated together within a process. The allocation procedures followed in these cases are based on a physical classification of the mass flows or calorific values.

Credits from energy substitution are allocated to the production stage, because the gained energy from energy substitution is lower than the energy input in this stage. The same quality of energy is considered.

#### 8.6 Allocation procedure of reuse, recycling and recovery

The installation waste and end of life waste is fed into incineration processes. Incineration processes include cogeneration processes which give thermal and power energy as outputs. It is assumed that this recovered energy offsets that produced by the European average grid mix and thermal energy generation from natural gas. The gained energy is declared in module D as avoided environmental burden. Generated electricity and steam due to the incineration of installation and end of life waste are listed in the result table as exported energy.

#### 8.7 Description of the allocation processes in the LCA report

The description of allocation rules in of this LCA report meets the requirements of the PCR.

#### 8.8 LCA Data

As a general rule, specific data derived from specific production processes or average data derived from specific production processes have been used as the first choice as a basis for calculating an EPD.

For life cycle modeling of the considered products, the GaBi 10 Software System for Life Cycle Engineering, developed by Sphera has been used. All relevant LCA datasets are taken from the GaBi 10 software database. The datasets from the database GaBi are documented in the online documentation. To ensure comparability of results in the LCA, the basic data of GaBi database were used for energy, transportation and auxiliary materials.

#### 8.9 Data Quality

The requirements for data quality and LCA data correspond to the specifications of the PCR.

Foreground data are based on 1 year averaged data (year 2022). The reference ages of LCA datasets vary but are given in the table in the Appendix. The time period over which inputs to and outputs from the system is accounted for



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is 100 years from the year for which the data set is deemed representative. The technological LCA of the collected data reflects the physical reality of the declared product. The datasets are complete, conform to the system boundaries and the criteria for the exclusion of inputs and outputs and are geographical representative for the supply chain of Forbo flooring.

For life cycle modeling of the considered products the GaBi 10 Software System for Life Cycle Engineering, developed by Sphera, is used. All relevant LCA datasets are taken from the GaBi 10 software database. The last revision of the used data sets took place within the last 10 years.

## 8.10 System Boundaries

<u>Production Stage</u> includes provision of all materials, products and energy, packaging processing and its transport, as well as waste processing up to the end-of waste state or disposal of final residues during the product stage.

<u>Transport and Installation Stage</u> includes provision of all materials, products and energy, as well as waste processing up to the end-of-waste state or disposal of final residues during the construction stage. These information modules also include all impacts and aspects related to any losses during this construction stage (i.e. production, transport, and waste processing and disposal of the lost products and materials). For the transportation a worldwide distribution is considered.

<u>Use Stage</u> includes provision and transport of all materials, products and related energy and water use, as well as waste processing up to the end-of-waste state or disposal of final residues during this part of the use stage. These information modules also include all impacts and aspects related to the losses during this part of the use stage (i.e. production, transport, and waste processing and disposal of the lost products and materials).

<u>End of Life Stage</u> includes provision and all transports, provision of all materials, products and related energy and water use. It also includes any declared benefits and loads from net flows leaving the product system that have not been allocated as co-products and that have passed the end-of-waste state in the form of reuse, recovery and/or recycling potentials.

#### 8.11 Power mix

The selection of LCA data for the electricity generation is in line with the PCR.

The products are manufactured in Giubiasco, Switzerland. The GaBi 10 Hydro power dataset has therefore been used (reference year 2023). The energy supplier is providing Forbo with a certificate every year.

#### 8.12 CO<sub>2</sub>-Certificates

No CO<sub>2</sub>-certificates are considered in this study.





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#### 8 .13 Life Cycle Inventory Analysis

In table 3 the environmental impacts are presented for all the lifecycle stages with two End of Life scenarios:

- Scenario 1: 100% Municipal Waste Incineration (MWI) with R1 > 60%
- Scenario 2: 100% landfill disposal.

Table 4: Results of the LCA – Environmental impact for Colorex (one year)

Parameter	A1-A3	A4	A5	B2	C1	C2	C3/1	C4/2	D/1	D/2
GWP – total	5.97E+00	2.88E-01	2.80E-01	6.34E-02	5.13E-03	2.58E-02	6.12E+00	2.18E-01	-1.74E+00	-4,33E-02
GWP – fossil	6,35E+00	2,83E-01	2,75E-01	6,08E-02	5,08E-03	2,59E-02	6,12E+00	2,20E-01	-1,73E+00	-4,30E-02
GWP – biogenic	-3,97E-01	4,09E-03	4,51E-03	2,57E-03	5,50E-05	-3,60E-04	1,04E-03	-2,52E-03	-9,80E-03	-2,44E-04
GWP - Iuluc	2,53E-03	1,23E-03	2,35E-05	6,37E-07	5,45E-07	2,36E-04	4,67E-04	1,76E-04	-1,11E-04	-2,78E-06
ODP	7,88E-09	1,39E-14	8,93E-13	1,58E-09	9,26E-14	2,23E-15	4,35E-12	3,59E-13	-1,34E-11	-3,35E-13
AP	2,10E-02	1,97E-03	5,79E-04	1,16E-04	1,07E-05	8,84E-05	1,36E-03	6,42E-04	-2,14E-03	-5,33E-05
EP – freshwater	1,95E-05	4,90E-07	4,45E-07	2,09E-06	1,87E-08	9,28E-08	1,28E-06	4,12E-05	-2,77E-06	-6,92E-08
EP – marine	4,61E-03	6,50E-04	1,72E-04	4,01E-05	2,56E-06	4,06E-05	4,42E-04	1,47E-04	-6,26E-04	-1,56E-05
EP – terrestrial	5,23E-02	7,22E-03	1,90E-03	2,30E-04	2,68E-05	4,58E-04	5,84E-03	1,61E-03	-6,70E-03	-1,67E-04
POCP	1,97E-02	1,51E-03	4,60E-04	9,12E-05	6,84E-06	8,06E-05	1,26E-03	4,67E-04	-1,74E-03	-4,34E-05
ADPF	1,63E+02	2,22E+00	6,80E+00	1,23E+00	1,06E-01	3,46E-01	9,71E+00	3,19E+00	-3,16E+01	-7,86E-01
ADPE	1,00E-05	8,85E-09	1,11E-08	1,35E-10	7,78E-10	1,64E-09	3,83E-08	5,65E-09	-1,23E-07	-3,07E-09
WDP	8,71E-01	1,58E-03	1,19E-02	1,38E-01	1,12E-03	2,93E-04	6,03E-01	-3,02E-03	-1,63E-01	-4,06E-03
	8,71E-01	1,58E-03	1,19E-02	1,38E-01	1,12E-03	,	6,03E-01	-3,02E-03	-1,63E-01	,

Caption: GWP - total = global warming potential; GWP - fossil = global warming potential (fossil fuel only); GWP - biogenic = global warming potential (biogenic); GWP - luluc = global warming potential (land use only); GDP = ozone depletion; AP = acidification terrestrial and freshwater; EP - freshwater = eutrophication potential (freshwater); EP - marine = eutrophication potential (terrestrial); POCP = photochemical ozone formation; ADPE = abiotic depletion potential (terrestrial); POCP = photochemical ozone formation; ADPE = abiotic depletion potential (terrestrial); POCP = photochemical ozone formation; ADPE = abiotic depletion potential (terrestrial); POCP = photochemical ozone formation; ADPE = abiotic depletion potential (terrestrial); POCP = photochemical ozone formation; ADPE = abiotic depletion potential (terrestrial); POCP = photochemical ozone formation; ADPE = abiotic depletion potential (terrestrial); POCP = photochemical ozone formation; ADPE = abiotic depletion potential (terrestrial); POCP = photochemical ozone formation; ADPE = abiotic depletion potential (terrestrial); POCP = photochemical ozone formation; ADPE = abiotic depletion potential (terrestrial); POCP = photochemical ozone formation; ADPE = abiotic depletion potential (terrestrial); POCP = abiotic d

#### 8.14 Interpretation

The interpretation of the results has been carried out considering the assumptions and limitations declared in the EPD, both methodology- and data-related for a one year usage.

For all of the environmental impact indicators the production stage is the main contributor to the overall impact. The raw material supply is the key contributor due to the use of PVC, plasticizer, stabilizer and Titanium dioxide.

The worldwide distribution by truck (700 km) and container ship (1250 km) the transport stage has a limited effect on most of the impacts. For GWP-Luluc, AP, POCP and EP Marine/Terrestrial the impact is more significant mainly due to the fuels used for transporting the material.

The impact of the installation and waste treatment of the off cuts are very small as the waste material is being recycled and the low emission adhesive used for the installation.

For the Use stage only ODP and EP-fw have a relevant contribution caused by the detergent used to wet clean the floor once a week.





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#### 8.15 Resource use

In table 4 the parameters describing resource use are presented for all the lifecycle stages for a one year usage.

Table 4: Results of the LCA – Resource use for Colorex (one year)

	A1-A3	A4	A5	B2	C1	C2	C3/1	C4/2	D/1	D/2
PERE [MJ]	3,35E+01	1,29E-01	4,52E-01	1,84E-02	6,31E-02	2,45E-02	2,27E+00	2,88E-01	-9,17E+00	-2,29E-01
PERM [MJ]	0,00E+00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PERT [MJ]	3,35E+01	1,29E-01	4,52E-01	1,84E-02	6,31E-02	2,45E-02	2,27E+00	2,88E-01	-9,17E+00	-2,29E-01
PENRE [MJ]	1,38E+02	2,22E+00	6,81E+00	1,23E+00	1,06E-01	3,47E-01	9,71E+00	3,19E+00	-3,16E+01	-7,86E-01
PENRM [MJ]	2,47E+01	-	-	=	-	=	-	=	-	=
PENRT [MJ]	1,63E+02	2,22E+00	6,81E+00	1,23E+00	1,06E-01	3,47E-01	9,71E+00	3,19E+00	-3,16E+01	-7,86E-01
SM [kg]	1,06E+00	-	=	=	=	=	-	=	-	=
RSF [MJ]	0,00E+00	-	-	=	-	=	-	=	-	=
NRSF [MJ]	0,00E+00	=	=	=	=	=	-	=	-	=
FW [m3]	5,28E-02	1,43E-04	9,60E-04	4,85E-05	5,09E-05	2,70E-05	1,51E-02	3,15E-05	-7,43E-03	-1,85E-04

Caption: PERE = Use of renewable primary energy excluding renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials; PERM = Use of renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials; PERT = Total use of renewable primary energy resources; PENRE = Use of non-renewable primary energy excluding non-renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials; PENRM = Use of non-renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials; PENRT = Total use of non-renewable primary energy resources; SM = Use of secondary material; RSF = Use of renewable secondary fuels; NRSF = Use of non-renewable secondary fuels; FW = Use of net fresh water

### 8.16 Waste categories and output flows

In table 5 other environmental information describing different waste categories and output flows are presented for all the lifecycle stages.

Table 5: Results of the LCA - Output flows and Waste categories for Colorex (one year)

	A1-A3	A4	A5	B2	C1	C2	C3/1	C4/2	D/1	D/2
HWD [kg]	5,03E-04	8,00E-12	7,28E-10	-7,62E-13	-8,26E-12	1,28E-12	3,32E-11	2,69E-10	-1,69E-09	-4,17E-11
NHWD [kg]	7,81E-02	2,98E-04	2,74E-03	3,53E-03	7,73E-05	5,00E-05	2,60E+00	3,10E+00	-1,56E-02	-3,88E-04
RWD [kg]	5,02E-03	2,83E-06	4,72E-05	2,58E-05	1,68E-05	4,49E-07	2,70E-04	3,78E-05	-2,43E-03	-6,07E-05
CRU [kg]	-	ı	ı	ı	ı	-	ı	ı	=	ı
MFR [kg]	-	ı	3,11E+00	Ī	ı	-	ı	I	-	
MER [kg]	=	-	•	•	-	-	•	-	-	-
EEE [MJ]	-	-	Ī	Ī	ı	-	8,09E+00	ī	-	-
EET [MJ]	-	=	ı	Ē	ı	=	1,47E+01	ı	-	=

Caption: HWD = Hazardous waste disposed; NHWD = Non-hazardous waste disposed; RWD = Radioactive waste disposed; CRU = Components for re-use; MFR = Materials for recycling; MER = Materials for energy recovery; EEE = Exported electrical energy; EET = Exported thermal energy





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#### 8.17 Biogenic Carbon content

Table 6: Information describing the biogenic carbon content at the factory gate

Biogenic carbon content	Unit (kg C/m²)
Biogenic carbon content in product	0.304
Biogenic carbon content in accompanying packaging	0.0678
Note: 1 kg of biogenic carbon is equivalent to 44	1/12 kg of CO <sub>2</sub>

## 9 Additional Environmental Impact Indicators

To be fully transparant Forbo Flooring does not only want to declare the environmental impacts required in the PCR, but also the additional environmental impact indicators according to the European Standard EN15804 + A2.

Table 7: Results of the LCA – Environmental impact for Colorex (one year)

	A1-A3	A4	A5	B2	C1	C2	C3/1	C4/2	D/1	D/2
PM [Disease incidences]	2,12E-07	2,58E-08	4,45E-09	7,75E-10	9,02E-11	5,72E-10	3,04E-08	6,22E-09	-1,81E-08	-4,52E-10
IR [kBq U235 eq.]	1,05E+00	4,07E-04	5,08E-03	2,54E-03	2,79E-03	6,48E-05	3,27E-02	5,59E-03	-4,05E-01	-1,01E-02
ETF-fw [CTUe]	9,66E+01	1,55E+00	2,36E+00	2,93E-01	4,66E-02	2,42E-01	6,36E+00	3,04E+00	-6,90E+00	-1,72E-01
HTP-c [CTUh]	2,91E-09	3,09E-11	1,13E-10	7,13E-12	1,55E-12	4,91E-12	2,66E-10	1,40E-10	-3,49E-10	-8,70E-12
HTP-nc [CTUh]	1,45E-07	2,25E-09	8,37E-09	2,20E-10	3,82E-11	3,35E-10	2,53E-08	1,16E-08	-1,09E-08	-2,70E-10
SQP [Pt]	2,09E+01	7,52E-01	3,82E-01	6,79E-03	4,14E-02	1,44E-01	2,07E+00	2,77E-01	-6,03E+00	-1,51E-01

Caption: PM = Particulate matter emissions; IR = Ionizing radiation, human health; ETF-fw = Eco-toxicity (freshwater); HTP-c = Human toxicity, cancer effects; HTP-nc = Human toxicity, non-cancer effects, SQP = Soil quality potential/ Land use related impacts

#### 9.1 Interpretation

The interpretation of the results has been carried out considering the assumptions and limitations declared in the EPD, both methodology- and data-related for a <u>one year usage</u>.

As with the mandatory environmental impact categories, the production phase is dominant in the contribution of the total lifespan of the additional environmental impact indicators. This is largely due to the production of the raw materials.

A much smaller impact is coming from the thermal energy used to manufacture Colorex SD-EC.





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#### 9.2 Disclaimers to the declaration of core and additional environmental impact indicators

According to the "ILCD Handbook: Recommendations for Life Cycle Impact Assessment in the European context" the recommended characterization models and associated characterization factors are classified according to their quality into three levels:

- o Type 1 (recommended and satisfactory),
- Type 2 (recommended but in need of some improvements)
- Type 3 (recommended, but to be applied with caution).

Table 8: Classification of disclaimers to the declaration of core and additional environmental impact indicators

ILCD classification	Indicator	Disclaimer
ILCD Type 1	Global Warming Potential (GWP)	None
	Depletion potential of the stratospheric ozone layer (ODP)	None
	Potential incidence of disease due to PM emissions (PM)	None
ILCD Type 2	Acidification potential, Accumulated Exceedance (AP)	None
	Eutrophication potential, Fraction of nutrients reaching freshwater end compartment (EP-freshwater)	None
	Eutrophication potential, Fraction of nutrients reaching marine end compartment (EP-marine)	None
	Eutrophication potential, Accumulated Exceedance (EP-terrestrial)	None
	Formation potential of tropospheric ozone (POCP)	None
	Potential Human exposure efficiency relative to U235 (IRP)	1
ILCD Type 2	Abiotic depletion potential for non-fossil resources (ADP-minerals & metals)	2
	Abiotic depletion potential for fossil resources (ADP-fossil)	2
	Water (user)deprivation potential, deprivation-weighted water consumption (WDP)	2
	Potential Comparative Toxic Unit for ecosystems (ETP-fw)	2
	Potential Comparative Toxic Unit for humans HTP-c)	2
	Potential Comparative Toxic Unit for humans HTP-nc)	2
	Potential Soil quality index (SQP)	2

Disclaimer 1 – This impact category deals mainly with the eventual impact of low dose ionizing radiation on human health of the nuclear fuel cycle. It does not consider effects due to possible nuclear accidents, occupational exposure nor due to radioactive waste disposal in underground facilities. Potential ionizing radiation from the soil, from radon and from some construction materials is also not measured by this indicator

Disclaimer 2 – The results of this environmental impact indicator shall be used with care as the uncertainties on these results are high or as there is limited experience with the indicator.





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