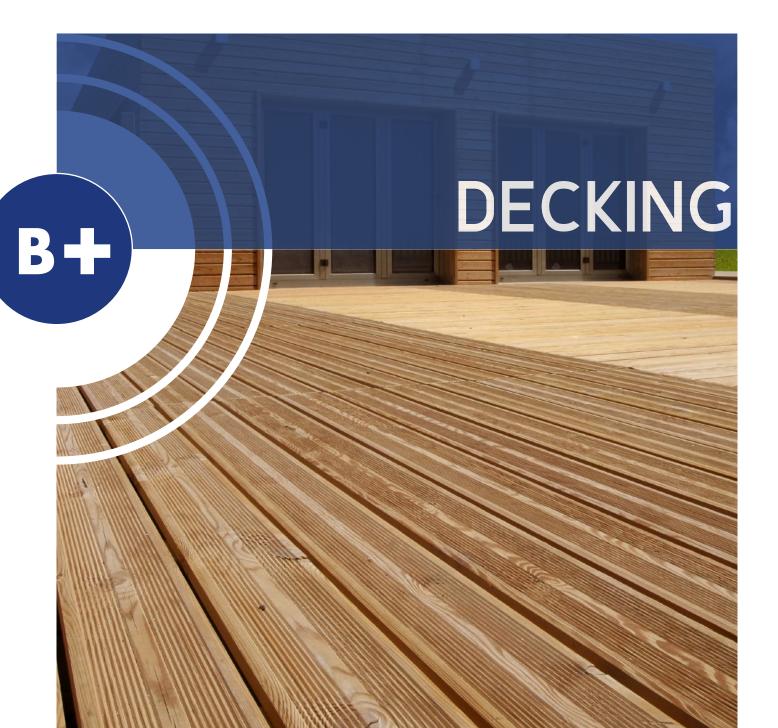
Treated timber for durability...





The guarantee of durable timber



The CTB-B+ mark ensures the timber gives the expected level of conferred durability for the required use in accordance with the requirements of standard NF B 50-105-3

An adapted and controlled process

CTB-B+ is the guarantee for the implementation of quality treatment validated by FCBA and a controlled impregnation process.

Twice a year, FCBA audits the certified companies, ensures the Quality Plan is being followed and conducts sampling.

Simply using a CTB-P+ certified product not guarantee the quality of a timber treatment.

Confirmed effectiveness

CTB-B+ treated timber ensures the structure is resistant to wood-boring insects, wood-rotting fungi and termites.

Indeed, the combination of CTB-B+/CTB-P+ certifications allows the timber to be used in agricultural, wine-producing, aquatic, indoor and outdoor environments, play areas or other public or private spaces.

The environmental declaration sheets and life cycle analysis for CTB-B+ certified timber are available on the INIES database (INIES.fr).

CTB-B+ treated timber is taken to waste reception centres according to the regulations in force.

Responsible use of CTB-P+ certified treatment products

CTB-B+ imposes the use of CTB-P+ certified products.

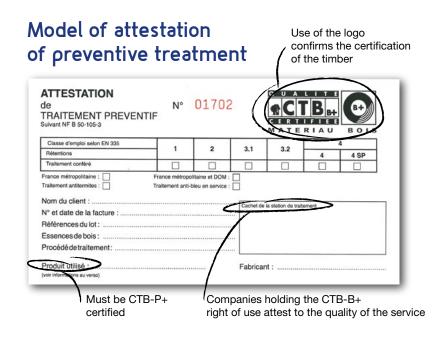
CTB-P+ makes use in particular of the results of standardised field tests.



Expected durability is defined as the period of time the timber parts used are expected to perform for one single use. This period of time is largely dependent on the conditions of use and the quality of the installation of the treated timber.

A contractual guarantee is a binding commitment from the supplier to its customer to meet the requirements which define the duration and scope.

There are legal safeguards which will be applied if necessary.





They are composed of timber strips attached to floor battens and intended for use as pathways (edges of swimming pools, etc.) or parking areas (outdoor fairs, etc.)







Performances

The performance of decking is ensured by the use of a certified treatment product and the implementation of a controlled process.

Strips and battens that have been according to CTB-B+ specifications are reliable in terms of use and expected durability. They are suitable for the uses described in the **DTU 51.4** [unified technical document] that specifies, for example:

- the use class is 4 (or 3.2 for particular conditions)
- the expected durability is less than 10 years
- the use of a reliable and approved product, guaranteed by implementation

Installation

CTB-B+ treated wood ensures the service life of the decking in service. To ensure its durability, the installation rules for these products, laid down in **DTU 51.4** should be observed, and in particular:

- ensure the timber is effectively ventilated
- prioritise drainage to prevent retentions and water traps
- prohibit any machining after treatment. However, for cuts and holes, the exposed surfaces should be treated with a suitable product in order to help rebuild the initial level of protection
- respect the characteristics of the strips defined in NFB 54.040
- take account of the humidity of the wood when it is installed

Maintenance

CTB-B+ treated strips do not require the application of any additional products to ensure durability.

Its aesthetic appearance is maintained by cleaning using a brush and/or water jet (high pressure prohibited) or by the application of decorating products.

Timber treatment professional, the CTB-B+ holder will provide you with all advice needed. CTB-B+
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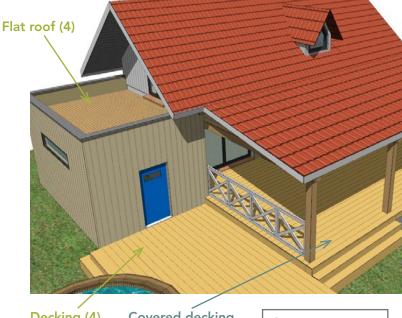
Universal use classes. specifications of different treatments:

Before choosing the timber species, please refer to the use class.

Identical in every country, the uses classes define the situation of the timber in a particular structure. They do not, however, attest to its suitability for use. For the same use class, the treatment requirements may vary from country to country.

Each species has its own characteristics in terms of natural durability (before treatment) and impregnability (capacity to retain the product). The allocation of a species to a use class determines how the timber should be treated. Its effectiveness depends on the selection of the timber, the quality and quantity of the product used and how the process is managed and controlled.

Class	Conditions of use	Method of preservation	
		Autoclave	Dipping
	Internal timbers - Fully protected from adverse weather, not exposed to humidification		
	Internal timbers and external sheltered timbers - Protected from adverse weather, occasional but not persistent humidification (condensation)	×	
	External timbers that are not in contact with the ground, subjected to frequent humidification for short periods. Completely dries out in between two damn periods.	×	
3.2	External timbers that are not in contact with the ground, subjected to frequent humidification for long periods. Completely dries out in between two damp periods	Х	
4	External timbers in contact with the ground or with a support subject to recurrent humidification, or fresh water contact, or where the design is such that significant water is retained, or exposed to very pronounced humidification	х	



Decking (4) Covered decking

NB: Indicative diagram - the battens are systematically treated for use in class 4 In all cases, please refer to FDP 20-651. LÉGENDE Elément de classe 3.2 Elément de classe 4







Certification of CTB-B+ services is managed by FCBA (the French Institute of Technology for Forest-based and Furniture Sectors), key player in the timber-construction industry.

FCBA, a certification body accredited by COFRAC* (Certification of Products and Services, no. 5-0011, available on www.cofrac. fr and list of certificate holders available on www.ctbbplus.fr), contributes to the development of European standards for the preservation of timber used in buildings.