

# AFRDI Certifications Guide

The Australasian Furnishing Research and Development Institute (AFRDI) is an independent not-for-profit technical organisation providing standards, testing, and product certification for furniture products.

## What do the AFRDI certification levels mean and what are they suitable for?



- Level 4:** Light commercial use; office, hospitality.
- Level 5:** Medium commercial use; heavy duty office use, hospitality environments or moderate industrial.
- Level 6:** Heavy commercial use conditions.

## What do the AFRDI Rated Load levels mean and what are they suitable for?



- 135 SS:** Up to 135 kg for 40 hours per week.
- 135 MS:** Up to 135kg for over 40 hours per week.
- 160 SS:** Up to 160 kg for 40 hours per week.
- 160 MS:** Up to 160 kg for over 40 hours per week.

Rated Load certification undergoes significant additional testing and exceeds Level 6 for strength, durability and stability.

## Environmental Certifications for Furniture



AFRDI Green Tick Certification allows environmentally conscious users to make a sustainable choice and can apply across all furniture types.

The Green Tick involves assessment of factors including:

- Material sourcing (e.g. sustainable forestry practices for wood procurement)
- Operating energy (e.g. how much power an electronic sit-stand desk consumes)
- Waste generated during production
- End-of-life factors including recycling materials

## AFRDI Certifications per category:

### Chairs

An AFRDI Blue Tick for chairs ensures:

- Stability
- Durability
- Ergonomic Dimensions
- Safety and Strength
- Mitigate Foam/Mesh ignition sources



### Desks and Workstations

An AFRDI Blue Tick desks and workstations ensures:

- Stability
- Durability
- Ergonomic Dimensions
- Safety and strength



### Office Storage

An AFRDI tick for filing cabinets and office storage ensures:

- Stability
- Durability
- Safety and strength



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