



**Carpet and Rug Institute Technical Advice**  
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Notice to Laboratories and Interested Parties: Revised Standard ASTM D7330-11

Effective January 1, 2012

ASTM D7330 was revised in the fall 2011. The revision was issued too late to make the 2011 standards book but is available as a download. NVLAP typically gives labs up to one year to implement a revision to a standard.

The standard has been revised to require ratings to be performed to the nearest scale. Ratings compliant with this standard will not be rated at intermediate values between scales. Ratings not made to the nearest half-step (such as 3.0, 3.5, or 4.0) are invalid and not performed in accordance with ASTM D7330-11. NVLAP assessors will assess all labs to the 2011 specification starting in 2013 at renewal assessments. If you lab is being assessed this year and you would like to be assessed to the 2011 revision, please tell the assessor.

Please feel free to contact me for information on obtaining the latest version of this standard.

Sincerely,

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