Figure: 26 TAC §511.169(b)

FLAME SPREAD AND SMOKE PRODUCTION LIMITATIONS FOR INTERIOR FINISHES

		Flame Spread Rating	Smoke Development Rating
Walls and Ceilings ¹	Exit Access, Storage Rooms, and Areas of Unusual Fire	Class A ²	450 or less
	Hazard	NFPA 255	NFPA 258 ³
	All other Areas	Class B ²	450 or less
		NFPA 255	NFPA 258 ³
Floors 4		No requirements	No requirements

¹ Textile materials having a napped, tufted, looped, woven, nonwoven, or similar surface shall not be applied to walls or ceilings unless such materials have a Class A rating and are installed in rooms or areas protected by an approved automatic sprinkler system. Cellular or foamed plastic materials shall not be used as interior wall and ceiling finishes.

² Products required to be tested in accordance with National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 255, Standard Method of Test of Surface Burning Characteristics of Building Materials, 2000 edition, shall be Class A (flame spread 0-25) or Class B (flame spread 26-75).

³ Smoke development rating, an average of flaming and nonflaming values as determined by National Fire Protection Association 258, Standard Research Test Method for Determining Smoke Generation of Solid Materials, 2001 Edition.

⁴ Refer to §511.162(d)(1)(D) of this subchapter for requirements relative to carpeting in areas that may be subject to use by individuals with disabilities. Such areas include offices and waiting spaces as well as corridors that might be used by employees, visitors, or staff with disabilities.