

# Edge Grain Flooring



Logs used to produce lumber for hard maple flooring and other wood products are processed in what is referred to as “Regular Sawn”, also often referred to as “Plain Sawn”. This creates a mixture of grain orientation in boards used to provide hardwood athletic floor surfaces.

Hard maple continues to be the principle wood specie used for hardwood athletic floors as it has for over 100 years. Maple provides excellent durability and is shown to provide exceptionally good results when mixed grain material is measured for hardness and environmental stability.

Grading rules for edge grain flooring only requires that grain orientation ranges 30 to 90 degrees and only within 75% of the board length, much of which is included in standard production. Edge grain can be misinterpreted as being especially different in performance as compared to standard mixed grain flooring.