

Boules and boards

Un-edged oak boules (or selected boards) are appearance graded by means of a virtual grading rectangle measuring 0,20 m x 2 m.

See page 4: tolerance for boards in boules

Features less than 10 cm from the board's edges are generally permitted with a reduction in volume.



Grades Q-B A and Q-S A

- Fairly straight boards with a practically straight grain.
- One sound knot permitted with a diameter less than 20 mm.
- Permitted with a reduction: an isolated knot less than 15% of the board width, unsound sapwood if isolated, sapwood with holes.

Excluded: not intergrown or unsound knots, ring shake, frost crack, bark pocket, included sapwood, brown pith, rot.



Grades Q-B 1 and Q-S 1

- Sound knots less than 5 mm, permitted if fewer than eight.
- Sound knots with a diameter between 5 and 25 mm, permitted where equivalent to one knot of less than 50 mm.
- Permitted with a reduction: one not intergrown or unsound knot less than 25 mm, one isolated knot less than 20% of the board width, ring shake, frost crack, bark pocket, unsound sapwood if isolated, brown pith less than 25%, sapwood with holes.

Excluded: included sapwood, rot.

