Australian Sustainable Hardwoods

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SUMMARY OF GRADING – Victorian Ash *Australian Standard 2796.2 guidelines*

Characteristic		Select Grade No. 1		Standard Grade No. 2	
Graded to:-			2 Faces / 2 Edges		1 Face / 2 Edges
Surface Checks		•	Not allowed	•	Not to exceed 2mm in depth
Sound – Knots / Burls		•	Not greater than 20mm wide or ¹ / ₆ of width One per 2m in length	•	Not greater than 30mm wide or ¼ of width One of any 1m length
Tight Gum Vein		•	Not greater than 2mm wide Not exceeding ½ the aggregate length of board	•	Not greater than 5mm wide Not exceeding the aggregate length of board
Loose Gum Vein		•	Not Permitted	•	Not greater than 3mm wide Not intersecting an end Aggregate length ¹ / ₆ of board
Brown Stain		•	Slight	•	No Limitation
Hobnail	****	•	No Limitation	•	No Limitation

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Graded to:-			2 Faces / 2 Edges		1 Face / 2 Edges	
Gum Pockets		•	Not Permitted	•	Not greater than 6mm wide Maximum length 75mm Not exceeding 1 per 1500mm of length	
Black Speck		•	Slight	•	No Limitation	
Pinhole and Holes		•	Not Permitted	•	Not greater than 3mm in diameter 6 per 100 x 100 area and not associated with rot	
Rot / Decay		•	Not Permitted	•	Not Permitted	
Heart Wood		•	Not Permitted	•	Not Permitted	
End Splits		•	Not exceeding 12mm in length	•	Not exceeding 12mm in length	
Sapwood		•	No limitation Not susceptible to Lyctus attack	•	No limitation Not susceptible to Lyctus attack	
Internal Checking		 This feature cannot always be seen by the grader until after the timber is further profiled The previously unseen internal checks may be revealed on the surface or edge of the newly profiled product It is therefore considered inappropriate to be included as part of the grading rules as per the Australian Standard 2796.2 guidelines 				