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Title: “Finger Cracking in Plywood Floor Boards”.

The IICL is revising the inspection criteria for plywood flooring effective May 1, 2005.

Reference: IICL “Gray Areas” Manual 2nd Ed. Section 3.4

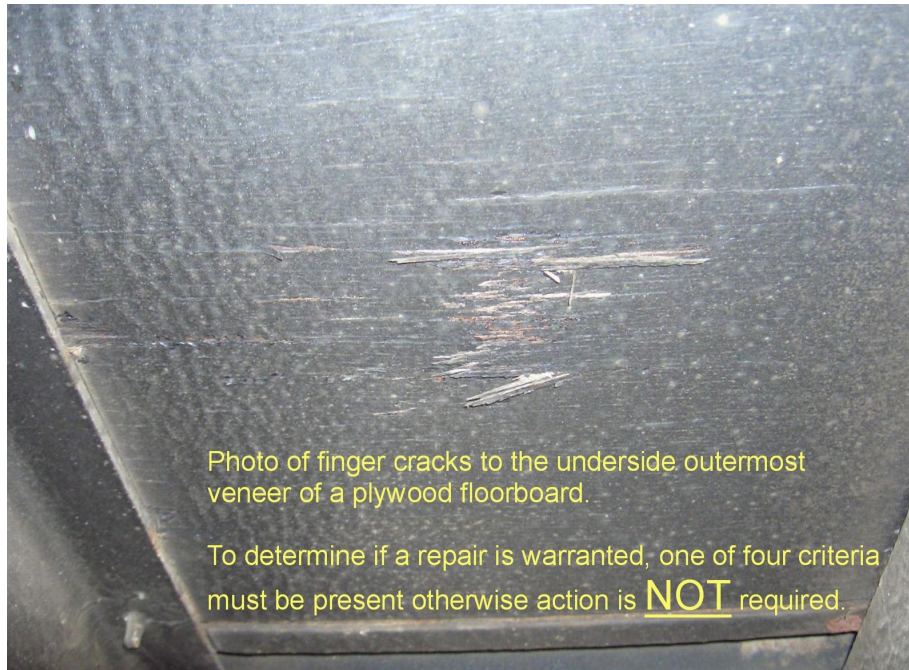
Finger Cracking - Definition

A “**finger crack**” is a separation in a surface veneer running transverse combined with separations running longitudinal at both ends of the transverse separation.

Revised Criteria

Not all cases of finger cracking will be repair worthy. Finger cracking will be repair worthy only **when** accompanied by one or more of the following conditions:

- Visible sign of impact on the opposite side
- Damage to adjacent components, i.e., crossmembers, sills, floor rails, hat sections
- Visible bowing of the opposite side of the floor
- Hollow sound when hammer tested



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