

BRITISH STANDARD (BS) 381C Colours

The British Standard BS 381C specifies colours used in identification, coding and other special purposes. This is a key reference for specifying a particular paint colour to use in the refurbishment of buildings – especially at Local Authority level or for major works, such as office blocks, airports, schools and hospitals.

BS381 101 Sky blue	BS381 102 *Turquoise blue	BS381 103 Peacock blue	BS381 104 Azure blue	BS381 105 Oxford blue
BS381 106 Royal blue	BS381 107 Strong blue	BS381 108 Aircraft blue	BS381 109 Middle blue / Anchusa	BS381 110 Roundel blue
BS381 111	BS381 112 Arctic blue / Fiesta Blue	BS381 113 Deep saxe blue	BS381 114 *Rail blue	BS381 115 *Cobalt blue
BS381 166 French blue	BS381 172 Pale roundel blue	BS381 174	BS381 175 Light French blue	BS381 210 Sky
BS381 216 Eau de Nil	BS381 217 Sea green	BS381 218 Grass green	BS381 220 Olive green	BS381 221 Brilliant green
BS381 222 *Light bronze green	BS381 223 Middle bronze green	BS381 224 Deep bronze green	BS381 225 Light Brunswick green	BS381 226 Mid Brunswick green
BS381 227 Deep Brunswick green	BS381 228 Emerald green / Viridian	BS381 241 Dark green	BS381 262 Bold green	BS381 267 Deep chrome green / Traffic green
BS381 275 *Opaline green	BS381 278 *Light olive green	BS381 280 Verdigris green	BS381 282 *Forest green	BS381 283 Aircraft grey green
BS381 284 Spruce green	BS381 285 NATO green	BS381 298 Olive drab	BS381 309 Canary yellow	BS381 310 Primrose
BS381 315 Grapefruit	BS381 320 Light brown	BS381 337 Very dark drab	BS381 350 *Dark earth	BS381 352 Pale cream
BS381 353 Deep cream	BS381 355 Lemon	BS381 356 Golden yellow	BS381 358 Light buff	BS381 359 *Middle buff
BS381 361 Light stone	BS381 363 Bold yellow	BS381 365 Vellum	BS381 366 Light beige	BS381 367 Manilla
BS381 369 Biscuit	BS381 380 Camouflage desert sand	BS381 384 Light straw	BS381 388 Beige	BS381 389 Camouflage beige
BS381 411 Middle brown	BS381 412 Dark brown	BS381 414 Golden brown	BS381 420 Dark camouflage desert sand	BS381 435 *Camouflage red
BS381 436 Dark camouflage brown	BS381 444 *Terracotta	BS381 445 Venetian red	BS381 446 *Red oxide	BS381 447 Salmon pink
BS381 448 *Deep Indian red	BS381 449 *Light purple brown	BS381 452 *Dark crimson	BS381 453 Shell pink	BS381 454 Pale roundel red
BS381 460 *Deep Buff	BS381 473 *Gulf red	BS381 489 *Leaf brown	BS381 499 Service brown	BS381 537 Signal red
BS381 538 Post office red / Cherry	BS381 539 Currant red	BS381 540 *Crimson	BS381 541 Maroon	BS381 542 Ruby
BS381 557 Light orange	BS381 564 Bold red	BS381 568 Apricot	BS381 592 International orange	BS381 593 Rail red / Azo orange
BS381 626 Camouflage grey	BS381 627 Light aircraft grey	BS381 629 Dark camouflage grey	BS381 630 French grey	BS381 631 Light grey
BS381 632 Dark admiralty grey	BS381 633 *RAF blue-grey	BS381 634 *Slate	BS381 635 *Lead	BS381 636 *PRU blue
BS381 637 Medium sea grey	BS381 638 Dark sea grey	BS381 639 *Light slate grey	BS381 640 *Extra dark sea grey	BS381 642 Night
BS381 671 *Middle graphite	BS381 676 Light weatherwork grey	BS381 677 Dark weatherwork grey	BS381 692 Smoke grey	BS381 693 Aircraft grey
BS381 694 Dove grey	BS381 697 Light admiralty grey	BS381 796 Dark violet	BS381 797 Light violet	

BRITISH STANDARD (BS) 4800 Colours

The British Standard BS 4800 specifies colours of paint for building and construction works. This is a key reference for specifying a particular paint colour to use in the refurbishment of buildings – especially at Local Authority level or for major works, such as office blocks, airports, schools and hospitals.

00-A-01 Ash grey / Oyster grey / Portland	00-A-05 Goose grey / Sea mist / Goosewing	00-A-09 Flint grey / Flint	00-A-13 Storm grey / Greyfriar	02-C-33 Lupin pink / Candy floss / Pink wafer
02-C-37 Clover pink / Corinth / Fontana	02-C-39 Victoria plum / Aubergine / Plum	02-C-40 Deep plum / Loganberry	04-B-15 Rosepetal / Pastel pink / Dawn pink	04-B-17 Dusty pink / Tea rose / Tearose
04-B-21 Sable / Sierra	04-C-33 Orchid pink / Parisian pink / Shell	04-C-37 Autumn brown / Rosevale	04-C-39 Brick red / Copperbeech	04-D-44 Misty red / Tawny

04-D-45 Dark cherry / Russet / Monarch	04-E-49 Rose pink / Petal	04-E-51 Salmon red / Lobster / Azalea	04-E-53 Poppy / Carnival red	06-C-33 Peach / Cameo
06-C-37 Leather brown / Brownstone	06-C-39 Saddle brown / Saddle	06-D-43 Mid tan / Kalahari / Cinnamon	06-D-45 Teak / Mace	06-E-50 Mellow apricot / Apricot
06-E-51 Mandarin orange / Clementine / Calendula	06-E-56 Maori brown / Nectarine	08-B-15 Magnolia	08-B-17 Honey beige / Fawn / Sandstone	08-B-21 Antelope
08-B-25 Beaver brown / Beaver	08-B-29 Bitter chocolate / Vandyke	08-C-31 Honeysuckle cream / Blush stone	08-C-35 Beige	08-C-37 Caramel / Bracken
08-C-39 Coffee / Bison	08-E-51 Golden yellow / Amber / Goldcup	10-A-03 Dawn grey / Sink grey / Flake grey	10-A-07 Nimbus grey / Wood ash / Woodash	10-A-11 Charcoal grey / Storm / Rhino
10-B-15 Creamy white / Ivory / Gardenia	10-B-17 Oatmeal / Greystone / Hopsack	10-B-21 Lizard grey	10-B-25 Turtle green / Turtle	10-B-29 Vandyke brown / Ironstone
10-C-31 Ivory / Champagne / Buttermilk	10-C-33 Vanilla / Pollen	10-C-35 Wheat / Golden bronze / Savannah	10-C-39 Dark olive / Saluki / Seaweed / Riverbed	10-D-43 Golden maize / Banana / Capricorn
10-D-45 French mustard / Florida	10-E-49 Pale primrose / Pale lemon / Jonquil	10-E-50 Light grapefruit / Forsythia	10-E-53 Sunflower yellow / Canary / Aztec	12-B-15 Sea foam / Seafoam
12-B-17 Green Mist / Willow	12-B-21 Mineral green / Opaline / Moorland	12-B-25 Spruce green / Thyme / Chive	12-B-29 Midnight green / Juniper	12-C-33 Green haze / Catkin
12-C-39 Ivy green / Orchard	12-D-43 Greengage / Sapling / Springleaf	12-D-45 Dark laurel / Tundra / Sherwood	12-E-51 Pale lime / Citrine	12-E-53 Linden green / Linden
14-C-31 Glacial green / Alpine	14-C-35 Iceplant green / Braemar	14-C-39 Holly green / Hollybush	14-C-40 Moss green / Conifer	14-E-51 Bright green / Goblin / Garland
14-E-53 Irish green / Avarice / Verona	16-C-33 Duckegg / Duck egg blue	16-C-37 Reef green / Orion	16-D-45 Dark jade / Scarab	16-E-53 Aquamarine / Seafarer / Lido
18-B-17 Blue mink / Silver haze / Heron	18-B-21 Squirrel grey / Tideway	18-B-25 Dark admiralty grey / Merlin	18-B-29 Raven	18-C-31 Ice blue / Spindrift
18-C-35 Corvette blue / Pigeon	18-C-39 Fathom blue / Deep river / Dolphin	18-D-43 Dresden blue	18-E-49 Crystal blue / Astral blue / Pinefrost	18-E-50 Ribbon blue / Cirrus
18-E-51 Delphinium Blue / Mermaid / Larkspur	18-E-53 Tartan blue / Cobalt blue / Regatta	20-C-33 Porcelain blue / Pompadour	20-C-37 Larkspur blue / Viking	20-C-40 Duchess blue / Midnight
20-D-45 Sapphire blue / Maritime / Trafalgar	20-E-51 Cornflower blue / Corfu / Cornflower	22-B-15 Pearl grey / Swansdown	22-B-17 Pale lavender / Haze / Dove	22-C-37 Purple heather / Heather
22-D-45 Deep purple / Pageant	24-C-33 Pale lilac / Mallow	24-C-39 Regal violet / Regalia	00-E-53 Black	00-E-55 White

EXTENDED BRITISH STANDARD (BS) 4800 Colours

New BS4800: 2011 colour range. The extended (2011) range of BS4800 colours is shown below. The new (2011) standard includes 22 additional colours that are mostly brighter to reflect the latest trends for public buildings and spaces. These paint colours are widely recognised throughout the UK and are often used to meet safety, legal or contractual requirements.

04 C 31 **Pink	06 C 35 **Light orange	06 C 40 **Brown	08 C 33 **Beige	12 C 31 **Light yellow
12 C 37 **Green	08 D 41 **Yellow	12 D 41 **Green	20 D 41 **Powder blue	22 D 41 **Purple
04 E 55 **Red	04 E 56 **Carnival red	04 E 58 **Purple	08 E 55 **Orange	10 E 55 **Cannary yellow
12 E 55 **Green	14 E 49 **Light green	14 E 50 **Green	16 E 50 **Turquoise	20 E 53 **Blue
20 E 56 **Blue	24 E 53 **Purple			

