

COVER MATERIAL COMPARISON

The following table shows test results for different cover materials.

COVER MATERIAL COMPARISON	Breaking Strength (lbs)		Tear Resistance		Abrasion Resistance
	Warp (pounds)	Fill (pounds)	Warp (grams)	Fill (grams)	Cycles
F-Grade Buckram (poly-cotton)	186	93	2400	1960	417
Library Summit™	70	40	550	600	450
Arrestox B	69	40	290	208	148
Advantage 9	43	34	200	248	342

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

F Grade buckram – Library Summit™

1. Why change cover material now?

Due to the manufacturer's recent production limitations, we have been forced to find an alternative cover material in order to continue the production of library binding. Given the reality of library binding in 2020, it was imperative that the industry develop a plan and new cover options. There have been discussions in the library community and binder groups for several years now about possible changes. LBS took that challenge and in 2018-2019, began to intensify its search for alternatives. Library Summit™ is the result of that effort.

2. Will buckram continue to be manufactured in the future?

It is possible that some buckram will continue to be manufactured. It is also possible that buckram as a product will end entirely. This has been a possibility for some time as the demand for buckram has experienced a meaningful decline. LBS and HF Group felt that it was our responsibility to have a back-up plan.

3. Will Library Summit™ look the same as buckram?

Neenah and LBS have produced 8 colors that look nearly identical to buckram in both color and finish.