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# U.S. Cotton Batting



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## Now Certified Fire Retardant By Underwriters Laboratories, Inc.

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### Assures You of the Safest Cotton Batting on the Market

### Participation in a Third-Party Certification Program Developed by Underwriters Laboratories Inc. (UL) Is Mandatory for NCBI Membership

Cotton is inherently a very safe product.

There is little health risk to humans.

The major concern with product safety and cotton is flammability.

Now, National Cotton Batting Institute members have taken a significant step toward ensuring the fire safety of their product.

UL is the largest safety testing and conformity assessment organization in North America, with 105 years of fire safety experience and some of the most comprehensive fire protection testing capabilities in North America.

The certification program requires quarterly, unannounced UL inspections as well as testing for ...

### Cigarette Ignition Resistance Smolder Resistance Open Flame Resistance

### Assuring Quality and Consumer Safety

Since the early 1990s, NCBI members have participated in a voluntary quality assurance program that promoted proper methods of applying naturally found boric acid to impart smolder-resistant and flame-resistant properties to cotton batting in the manufacturing process.

The UL program allows the customer and the marketplace to clearly differentiate between certified Flame Retardant (FR) cotton batting and untreated materials.

The fire retardancy issue is a growing concern with the American consumer. Through the support documentation related to UL certification, mattress, futon, and furniture manufacturers now have the option of marketing their product as containing cotton batting that is certified flame retardant.

One of NCBI's primary objectives is to demonstrate that the most comfortable filling material available is also the safest. By passing UL's extraordinarily high certification standards, there is no question that cotton batting is the safest batting available to manufacturers and consumers.



## Why Cotton Batting?

Cotton batting is the all-natural choice in home furnishings and many other industrial applications important to today's lifestyles.

After the longest fibers of the cotton plant have been made into apparel and home furnishings fabric, cotton linters (fibers removed from the cottonseed) are processed into cotton batting.

The product takes many forms. It is supplied as batts, in rolls, stitched or sewn to netting and other materials, and even as a needed product.

Batts are used in innerspring construction as insulators, cushioning padding, and for fill. In futons, batts are used exclusively as layered components to fill out the futon. Smaller batts are supplied for use in upholstery and tailoring of the corners of a mattress.

Stitched pads can be used directly on innerspring units as an insulator to the spring unit.

Cotton batting can be supplied in roll form for quilting and in the quilt top of a mattress. Needed cotton is also used as a cushioning layer and is inherently strong and resistant to product set.

End-product manufacturers such as furniture makers use cotton batting to provide safe, predictable body to high-quality home furnishings.

Cotton is comfortable, is a natural product, is a renewable resource, and is environmentally friendly.



## The National Cotton Batting Institute

The National Cotton Batting Institute (NCBI) represents U.S. companies that manufacture and sell batting for use in mattresses, futons, and upholstered furniture.

Organized in 1954, NCBI focuses on product promotion and monitoring and influencing regulatory matters that affect the business environment of its members. Membership includes manufacturers of cotton batting, suppliers and businesses allied with the batting industry.

NCBI is governed by a board of directors made up of senior executives of member firms. Long affiliated with the National Cotton Council of America, NCBI draws on the Council's expertise in economic services, legislative affairs, and communications services to assist in program management.

Standing committees include Research, Marketing, Flammability, and Product Certification.

NCBI provides a central organization for the representation of all segments and interests of the industry.

**U.S. Cotton Batting**  
**It's Natural ...**  
**It's Comfortable ...**  
**It's Certified for Safety**

