

GREENGUARD Gold Certification Criteria for Building Products and Interior Finishes

Criteria	CAS Number	Maximum Allowable Predicted Concentration	Units
TVOC ^(A)	-	0.22	mg/m ³
Formaldehyde	50-00-0	9 (7.3 ppb)	µg/m ³
Total Aldehydes ^(B)	-	0.043	ppm
4-Phenylcyclohexene	4994-16-5	6.5	µg/m ³
Particle Matter less than 10 µm ^(C)	-	20	µg/m ³
1-Methyl-2-pyrrolidinone ^(D)	872-50-4	160	µg/m ³
Individual VOCs ^(E)	-	1/2 CREL or 1/100th TLV	-

- (A) Defined to be the total response of measured VOCs falling within the C₆ – C₁₆ range, with responses calibrated to a toluene surrogate. Maximum allowable predicted TVOC concentrations for GREENGUARD Gold (0.22 mg/m³) fall in the range of 0.5 mg/m³ or less, as specified in CDPH Standard Method v1.2.
- (B) The sum of all measured normal aldehydes from formaldehyde through nonanal, plus benzaldehyde, individually calibrated to a compound specific standard. Heptanal through nonanal are measured via TD/GC/MS analysis and the remaining aldehydes are measured using HPLC/UV analysis.
- (C) Particle emission requirement only applicable to HVAC Duct Products with exposed surface area in air streams (a forced air test with specific test method) and for wood finishing (sanding) systems.
- (D) Based on the CA Prop 65 Maximum Allowable Dose Level for inhalation of 3,200 µg/day and an inhalation rate of 20 m³/day
- (E) Allowable levels for chemicals not listed are derived from the lower of 1/2 the California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) Chronic Reference Exposure Level (CREL) as required per the CDPH/EHLB/Standard Method v1.2 and BIFMA level credit 7.6.2 and 1/100th of the Threshold Limit Value (TLV) industrial work place standard (Reference: American Conference of Government Industrial Hygienists, 6500 Glenway, Building D-7, and Cincinnati, OH 45211-4438).

