



**OPEN YOUR EYES  
TO LOW PRODUCT EMISSIONS.**



Look for this  
symbol.





Across the world, more and more consumers have now become aware of how important indoor air quality is.

They understand that poor indoor air quality is caused by products that release harmful pollutants. This can cause a variety of problems – ranging from headaches and irritation of the eyes and throat, to life-threatening ailments like asthma and cancer.

So they're choosing to pick eco-friendly products. Because they need to trust a product and buy it with confidence.

This rising demand for environmentally-sound products has seen a sudden boom of products with questionable, self-proclaimed claims of being 'green'.

Consumers have seen through this and their defences are up. They are now only likely to choose products whose claims of being environmentally friendly are supported by reliable evidence. Evidence that's been verified by a reputed independent authority.

**Eurofins is the world's leading organization within product emission testing. Eurofins Indoor Air Comfort Gold certification provides assurance that all product-related health safety criteria for product emissions have been adequately met.**

### **The Eurofins Indoor Air Comfort Gold certification**

Eurofins Indoor Air Comfort Gold certification guarantees that a product has low emissions. It is a reassuring symbol of a manufacturer's commitment to product quality. And their contribution to a healthy indoor environment.

An important factor affecting indoor air quality is pollution from products and materials used indoors.

The emissions from products are called Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC). Some of them are natural based like the typical odour of pine trees. Some others are synthetic; for instance, additives and solvents used in paint. VOC can pose a serious health risk, especially to children.

Limiting emissions of VOCs from products into indoor air is subject to regulations in Belgium, France and Germany.

Formaldehyde emissions from wood-based panels are regulated in some EU Member States. Voluntary labels like the EU Ecolabel, EMICODE, GUT, Blue Angel and the Nordic Swan indicate that a product shows low emissions. Sustainable programs for green buildings like LEED, BREEAM or Green Public Procurement define low emission criteria for construction products.

All these specifications are aimed at improving indoor air quality by encouraging use of low-emitting products.

But they have different criteria and limit values, and different testing methods. And in some countries no such information or requirements on low-emitting products are available at all.



## Nothing is left to chance

The Eurofins Indoor Air Comfort Gold certification program combines all relevant European regulations on VOC emissions and almost all relevant voluntary labels on VOC emissions. It puts together the most stringent requirements into a single label. This makes Eurofins Indoor Air Comfort Gold certification, the all-encompassing low-emitting label in all of Europe.

## Trust that has been well earned

Eurofins Indoor Air Comfort Gold certification includes more than testing and screening for thousands of chemicals. It includes an internal quality program for

processes to ensure that low-emitting products are continuously manufactured. This includes on-site audits, re-testing and certification – all together giving an extremely high level of reliability of the statement on very low VOC emissions.

The Eurofins Indoor Air Comfort Gold certification covers the following VOC requirements:

- Belgian regulation
- French VOC label
- German regulation, AgBB and ABG requirements
- Swedish Bygghälsömdömningen
- EMICODE for flooring installation products
- GUT for textile floorings
- Several EU ecolabel criteria
- Several Blue Angel criteria
- Several Austrian ecolabel criteria
- LEED outside North America
- FEMB standard for sustainable office furniture
- BREEAM international
- BREEAM NOR
- Italian regulation on GPP (Green Public Procurement)
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When you create a healthy indoor environment for your customers, you create value for your business. Take the guesswork out of choosing products with low emissions. Always choose products that carry the Eurofins Indoor Air Comfort Gold certification.

Visit [www.indoor-air-comfort.com](http://www.indoor-air-comfort.com) to learn more.

## The advantages

Using Indoor Air Comfort Gold certified products gives you these advantages:

- You ensure that products do not pose a health risk to your customers.
- You know you are using Best-In-Class products in terms of low indoor air pollution.
- You are assured that products comply with all regulations on VOC emissions in any European country and conforms to other private labels as well.
- You are confident that products comply with requirements for sustainable buildings according to LEED (outside Northern America), BREEAM international, BREEAM NOR and Green Public Procurement.

