

Taiga Flooring News Bulletin



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Emission Issues of Chinese Laminate Products

As you are probably aware there have been some concerns and inquiries from our customers regarding formaldehyde emissions of Chinese produced laminate flooring.

Let me put your concerns to rest, firstly with laminate flooring, all our laminate flooring products from China or otherwise meet the European industry standard of an E1 rating. Some of our products meet the E0 rating (Ultra low Formaldehyde Emissions.)

These ratings are a very important part of our product selection criteria. It does not happen by accident.

Secondly Taiga chooses to align ourselves with manufacturers that share our concern for the environment

Other environmentally friendly products/operations include:

Taiga's three treated plants met all environmental standards long before it was regulated by the CWPCA

The use of treated wood reduces the consumption of our forests by extending the service life of wood in outdoor settings.

JM Insulation carries the eco logo for its recycled material content and it is formaldehyde free.

Trex composite decking is made entirely of recycled materials.

LP Engineered Wood: a product that makes wise use of wood fiber and reduces the pressure on old growth forests for large dimension lumber.

Lumber contrary to popular belief is a renewable resource. Many wood products today come from reforested areas.

Taiga will continue to source green products for our customers. Our beliefs-as documented in our environmental policy (please visit www.taigabuilding.com) clearly describe our gameplan, to provide only the best products-the best in all ways-to our customers, period.

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