



Shaw's long-standing commitment to sustainability is the legacy of leadership upon which we aim to build every day.

Shaw carefully considers the impact of our products throughout their lifecycle on the environment and on society. For Shaw that means we examine the ingredient materials, the impact of our supply chain, our use of natural resources and the ability to recover and recycle our products at the end of their useful life. Shaw was among the first to embrace and implement this new way of thinking about environmentally and socially responsible flooring design nearly a decade ago.

Below is an overview of key sustainability certifications and standards our Shaw and Anderson hardwood and laminate products meet.

### **GREENGUARD**

All Shaw hardwood and laminate flooring products have been tested to GREENGUARD Certification criteria. The GREENGUARD Certification program from UL Environment gives assurance that products designed for use in indoor spaces meet strict chemical emissions limits – including formaldehyde.

**All of our laminate products – regardless of where they are manufactured – are independently checked by Underwriter's Laboratories as part of our voluntary participation in the GREENGUARD program.**

These GREENGUARD Certifications can contribute to points in numerous green building rating systems, including LEED. To maintain Certification, products are retested on an ongoing basis.

Read more about GREENGUARD Certifications at [www.greenguard.org](http://www.greenguard.org).

### **CARB Compliant**

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) implemented standards to improve indoor air quality by tightening limits for formaldehyde emissions from composite wood products.

In 2012, the CARB formaldehyde standard was made even more stringent – lowering the limit to 0.05 parts per million. This enhanced phase is often referred to as CARB 2. Claiming CARB Compliance requires third-party testing.

Our laminate, as well as solid and engineered hardwood products meet or exceed CARB 2 requirements.



### **Cradle to Cradle Certified™**

Shaw's solid and engineered hardwood products are Cradle to Cradle Silver Certified v2 – a third party certification provided by the Cradle to Cradle Products Innovation Institute after rigorous product assessment. Re-evaluation takes place on a regular basis.

The Cradle to Cradle Certified products program evaluates a product's performance in five categories:

- Material health
- Material reutilization
- Renewable energy
- Water stewardship
- Social fairness

A certified product's scorecard shows the achievement level in each of these five categories. For more information about the Cradle to Cradle Certified products program, visit [www.c2ccertified.org](http://www.c2ccertified.org).

### **Lacey Act**

Shaw's committed to sustainability includes knowing where the hardwood used in our flooring originates. We maintain compliance with Lacey Act requirements, ensuring that wood is legally delivered and sourced.

To learn more about Shaw's overall work in sustainability, view our latest sustainability report at: <http://press.shawinc.com/sustainabilityreport/>.