SWFCONTRACT
ALUMINUM BLINDS MEET GREENGUARD
GOLD STRICT INDOOR AIR QUALITY
STANDARDS

SWFContract proudly continues its commitment to provide the most environmentally responsible products for the commercial market. En route to achieving that goal, SWFcontract aluminum blinds have become GREENGUARD GOLD certified by GREenguARD Environmental Institute (GEI), a non-profit, industry-independent organization that oversees the GREENGUARD Certification Program. All SWFcontract aluminum blinds use lead-free, low VOC and low HAP (hazardous air pollutants) primers, topcoats and paints. The aluminum slat is finished with a low HAP baked polyester enamel that is anti-static to repel dust. The steel components are corrosion resistant and also use low HAP, chrome-free sealers, primers and topcoats.

In an effort to help create healthier indoor environments, SWFcontract aluminum blinds, along with our other low-emission products, have successfully met GEI’s rigorous chemical emissions standards. Springs Window Fashions strives to meet industry standards for manufacturing as well. SWFcontract aluminum blinds are manufactured in facilities that meet or exceed EPA standards for indoor air quality, air quality emissions and OSHA standards for safety. Ongoing processes are also in place to reduce Springs Window Fashions’ carbon footprint.

SWFContract is proud to offer GREENGUARD GOLD certified aluminum blinds.
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GREENGUARD GOLD CERTIFIED PRODUCTS ENHANCE QUALITY OF LIFE

PROGRAM HELPS IMPROVE INDOOR AIR QUALITY

The GREENGUARD Certification Program conducts testing to improve public health by reducing exposure to harmful chemicals through programs designed to significantly improve indoor air quality. Certified SWFcontract products and solar shading fabrics are regularly tested to ensure that they meet quality standards set forth by GEI. SWFcontract products and solar shade fabrics exceed the basic standards by meeting the more stringent requirements of GREENGUARD GOLD Certification.

TESTING METHODS MAKE CERTIFICATION A VALUABLE TOOL

GREENGUARD Certification is key for architects, designers, and product specifiers wishing to identify low-emitting products for indoor environments.

All products for indoor air quality (IAQ) performance are tested in dynamic environmental chambers where airflow is modeled to simulate actual product use. Measurements for chemical and particle emissions are taken at intervals during testing. Most building materials and furnishings are required to meet allowable emission levels within 7 to 14 days of installation. Other products and processes, including operating electronics and cleaning systems, must meet allowable levels during actual use or the application process.

HIGH STANDARDS MAKE FOR SAFE ENVIRONMENTS

The GREENGUARD standards are among the most stringent indoor air quality standards in the world and are based on available standards and guidelines from national and international public health agencies. Although not all GREENGUARD standards are ANSI standards, they are well documented, publicly available (along with test protocols) and have been reviewed by public health/toxicology advisory groups.

GREENGUARD Certification affirms that products meet the criteria of the referenced standard and the requirements of the specific certification program. Certification testing is conducted according to a consistent, defined protocol. The testing does not evaluate emissions under usage conditions other than those defined in the protocol and does not address potential environmental impact other than chemical and particle emissions.

The GREENGUARD Environmental Institute (GEI) is an industry independent, third party certification organization that qualifies products for low chemical emissions. GREENGUARD Certification programs use defined product standards, test methodologies, product sample collection and handling procedures, program application processes and on-going verification procedures. GREENGUARD standards, methods and procedures are available at www.GREENGUARD.org.