

## **TECHNICAL BULLETIN**

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**Low-VOC Emission Certifications** 



Aeroflex USA switched our Low-VOC emission certifications from *UL GREENGUARD Gold* to *SCS Global Services' Indoor Advantage*<sup>™</sup> *Gold* in August 2022.

**Q** - What is the difference between *UL GREENGUARD Gold* and *SCS Global Services' Indoor Advantage*<sup>™</sup> *Gold* emission certifications? – **The name.** 

**Q** - Is UL GREENGUARD Gold or SCS Global Services' Indoor Advantage<sup>™</sup> Gold better than the other?

Indoor Air Quality Certification Criteria	Indoor Advantage™ Gold	GREENGUARD/ others
Qualifies as an EQ credit for low-emitting material under USGBC LEED, WELL Building, Living Building Challenge, CHPS, BREEAM, Green Globes, IgCC, ASHRAE 189.1, NAHB National Green Building Standard, Green Star, Estidama Pearl Rating System, and other green building rating systems and programs.	v	v
Follows established, non-proprietary, open, and consensus-based standards and test methods without arbitrarily expanding testing requirements.	V	×
Tests chemicals that have established scientific and health-based criteria developed by CalEPA and endorsed by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Standard Method.	v	×
Uses multiple independent, accredited, and globally located testing laboratories.	~	×
Does not have any conflict of interest between certification body and testing laboratory, thereby eliminating any potential financial interests.	v	×
Requires use of approved, qualified certification program personnel; and a defined separation between sales, auditor, laboratory analysts, and certification decision-maker.	v	×
Requires full certification transparency by providing all audit and test reports to the client, whom has full ownership of these documents.	~	×
Has globally located offices which assign regionally-based auditors to conduct audits, collect samples, and discuss quality control issues as necessary with manufacturers.	~	×

**Q** - Do the most common green building rating systems such as LEED<sup>®</sup> and Living Building Challenge recognize SCS Global Services' Indoor Advantage<sup>™</sup> Gold emission certifications? – **Yes.** 

**Q** - Does SCS Global Services offer an online certified product library? – **Yes, the SCS Certified Green Products Guide** / https://www.scsglobalservices.com/certified-green-products-guide?q=aeroflex

**Q** – Do SCS Global Services' Indoor Advantage<sup>™</sup> Gold emission certifications require one certificate per product like GREENGUARD? – No, certificates are consolidated by product categories (insulation, accessories including adhesives and coatings).

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