

"NF Environnement Ameublement" certification



A BRIEF SUMMARY...

"NF Environnement Ameublement" (Environment label for Furniture), representing a firm commitment by manufacturers, has the distinction of being the only French ecolabel in the furniture sector. The adoption of this label represents a clear intention by the manufacturer to take environmental issues into consideration at each step in the manufacturing process, from procurement through to distribution, while also incorporating recycling. "NF Environnement Ameublement" includes strict criteria combining protection of the environment, user well-being and performance in use.

PRODUCTS CONCERNED

This certification concerns all interior design sectors:

- Home (kitchen, bathroom, lounge, beds, etc.)
- Office (desks, chairs, storage, etc.)
- Public spaces (nursery, education, healthcare, etc.)
- Technical furniture (workshops, etc.)

CERTIFIED CHARACTERISTICS

The environmental criteria are demanding, with a global approach taking into account the entire life cycle of the furniture. "NF Environnement Ameublement" therefore offers a particularly high degree of protection.



Environment



Durability



Health



Safety



Quality of execution

BENEFITS AND GUARANTEES



For users: The assurance that the furniture they are using is good for the environment and for their well-being, while also offering a high level of safety.



For manufacturers: By committing to this voluntary procedure, you emphasise the quality of your products, your business know-how and your industrial expertise. This mark, well known to both individual and collective buyers, provides real reassurance.



For distributors: Certified furniture makes decisions easier for institutional and private buyers. Companies, local authorities and major accounts, public and private, trust FCBA's reputation for being demanding and impartial!

FCBA, CERTIFYING BODY

Certified furniture must be durable, hence the performance testing carried out to ensure it meets the technical requirements of the ecolabel. Then during on-site audits, the FCBA Technological Institute – an independent and impartial body – ensures that the company is capable of manufacturing the products consistently, respecting the environmental requirements. **Examples of criteria and tests carried out:**

○ **Indoor air quality:**

Measuring the emissions of volatile organic compounds such as formaldehyde in chambers

○ **Durability of the sleeping surface of a mattress:**

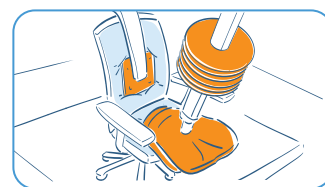
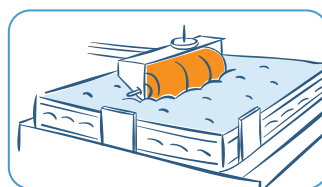
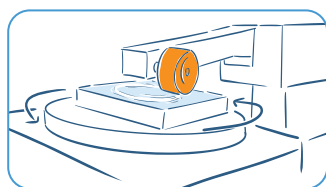
Simulating the stresses on a mattress of a person laying down and turning over

○ **Performance of coatings:**

Assessing the resistance of components to abrasion through wear

○ **Durability of the seat and backrest of a chair:**

Assessing the behaviour of a seat subject to the stresses of a person sitting down and then leaning back



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