

Green Furniture

Copeland Furniture is Green Furniture

Preservation and stewardship are values that run deep in Vermont. We take pride in the quality of the environment and the natural beauty that surrounds us. Here are some of the ways that our environmental values are reflected in each piece of furniture that we make:

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- U.S. hardwoods derive from legal and well managed forests. Hardwood procured from anywhere in the hardwood states could be considered Low Risk in all five Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) controlled wood risk categories.
- There exists, a low risk that U.S. hardwoods are produced from controversial sources as defined in the Chain of Custody standard of the Program for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC).
- The U.S. hardwood-producing region can be considered low risk for illegal and non-sustainable hardwood sourcing as a result of public and private regulatory and non-regulatory programs.

**The full report can be found at www.ahec-europe.org*



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Recipient of the Sage Award for environmental excellence

Sponsored by the American Home Furnishings Alliance (AHFA), the award program was launched to recognize environmental accomplishments within the home furnishings industry. For more information go to www.sageaward.org

Water based finishes are optional on most our furniture.

A water born, formaldehyde free finish may be specified for most Copeland Furniture pieces. These finishes are every bit as durable as our traditional catalyzed lacquer with the added benefit of drastically reduced VOC emissions at the factory and off-gassing at the home.

We create durable furniture with timeless designs that will last generations.

Heirloom-quality furniture has less environmental impact than a piece that will fail or has a "fashion life." We use time-tested joinery and construction methods, combined with durable finishes and quality hardware.

We're not done.

While the environmental impact of our factory and the environmental cost of the furniture we build for you is among the lowest, we're not standing still. We've continued to work to reduce VOC (volatile organic compounds) emissions. We've reduced packaging material purchases with the installation of a box making machine that allows us to make only what we need. We recycle all packaging waste and have reduced our reliance on landfill disposal. We now heat our building completely with wood waste from our manufacturing operation further reducing our consumption of imported oil.



For more information and greater detail, please visit www.copelandfurniture.com