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Recommended Multi-Attribute Standards and Ecolabels:																										
ANSI/ BIFMA e3 -2014e Furniture Sustainability Standard – level® certified	✓	-	YES		YES	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	YES	✓O	✓O	-	YES	✓	✓	✓	-	✓	✓	✓		https://level.ecomedes.com/	
Cradle to Cradle Certified™ Product Standard	-	-	YES		YES	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	YES	✓	✓O	-	YES	✓	✓	✓	-	✓	✓	✓		http://www.c2ccertified.org/products/registry	
Good Environmental Choice Australia (GECA) Furniture, Fittings, and Foam	-	✓	YES		YES	-	✓	-	✓	-	-	YES	✓	✓	-	YES	✓	✓	✓	-	-	✓	✓		http://www.geca.org.au/products/search/	
International Living Futures: Living Product ChallengeSM 1.0	-	-	YES		YES	✓	-	-	✓	✓	✓	YES	✓	✓	-	YES	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-		http://living-future.org/lpc	
Sustainable Furnishings Council Exemplary	-	-	YES		YES	✓	-	-	-	-	-	YES	✓O	-	-	N/A		✓	✓	-	-	-	-		https://sustainablefurnishings.org/company-search	
Sustainable Materials Rating Technology (SMaRT)	✓	-	YES		YES	✓O	-	✓	-	-	-	YES	OK	✓O	-	YES	✓O	✓	-	-	✓	-	-		http://mts.sustainableproducts.com/SMaRT_Certified.html	
TUV Rheinland® Green Product Mark	-	-	N/A		YES	✓	-	-	-	-	-	YES	✓	✓	-	N/A		✓	-	-	✓	✓	✓		https://www.certipedia.com/search?utf8=%E2%9C%93&locale=en&q=green+product&certificate_type=Green+Product	

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Recommended Single Attribute/ Single Material Standards and Ecolabels:

Association for Contract Textiles NSF/ ANSI 336: Sustainability Assessment for Commercial Furnishings Fabric	✓	-	YES	YES	✓	-	-	-	-	-	YES	OK	✓O	-	YES	✓O	✓	✓	-	✓	✓	-	No directory of certified products available at this time.
International Living Futures: Declare	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A							YES	✓	✓	-	N/A		✓	✓	-	-	-	-	https://living-future.org/declare/
Global Recycled Standard, v3	-	-	YES	YES	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	N/A				N/A		✓	-	-	✓	✓	✓	http://textileexchange.org/integrity/
SCS Indoor Advantage™ for Furniture	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A							YES	✓	✓O	-	N/A		-	-	-	✓	✓	✓	https://www.scsglobalservices.com/certified-green-products-guide
UL 2818 GREENGUARD Certification Program for Chemical Emissions For Building Materials	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A							YES	✓	✓	-	N/A		-	-	-	✓	✓	✓	https://spot.ulprospect.com/en/na/BuiltEnvironment

Specification(s):

In addition to the Applicable Federal Program requirements and the Non-Federal Standards/Ecolabels, EPA Recommends the following specifications for furniture, where applicable:

Hazardous Flame Retardants : Upholstered products shall meet Technical Bulletin 117-2013 (California’s furniture flammability standard) and must comply with the labeling requirements of California Senate Bill 1019, which was passed on September 30, 2014, and requires a label indicating whether the product contains or does not contain added Flame Retardants.

Indoor Air Quality/VOC Emissions : Products shall meet the emissions requirements of BIFMA e3 criterion 7.6.2, or equivalent.