

## Self-Declared Certificate of Product Conformity

### VOC Emissions



### FLOORING SYSTEMS

#### Company Information

Company Name:	<b>Forbo Flooring Systems</b>
Contact Information:	<b>jeff.miller@forbo.com</b>
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#### Product Information

Product Name:	<b>Surestep Decibel</b>
Product Number:	<b>Surestep Decibel</b>
Product Line:	<b>Surestep Decibel</b>
Product Category:	<b>Flooring</b>

#### Exclusions

Exclusions:	<b>None</b>
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#### VOC Emissions

Test Standard:	<b>CDPH Standard Method V1.2</b>
Acceptance Criteria:	<b>CDPH Standard Method V1.2</b>
Use scenario(s) Product type:	<b>Flooring</b>
Building Type:	<b>Classroom+Office</b>
Product coverage g/m <sup>2</sup> :	<b>Not Applicable</b>
TVOC concentration at 14-days:	<b>Less or equal to 0.5 mg/m<sup>3</sup></b>
Direct or extended claim:	<b>Direct</b>

## Compliance Testing

ISO/IEC 17025 accredited third-party laboratory:	<b>Berkeley Analytical, IAS TL-383</b>
Test start date:	<b>08/04/2023</b>
Laboratory certificate number:	<b>230824-01</b>

## Extended Claim for Co-product

Name of compliance tested product:	<b>Not Applicable</b>
Number:	<b>Not Applicable</b>
Was listed product screening-level tested for VOC emissions?:	<b>Not Applicable</b>
Basis for extension of claim from compliant product to co-product:	<b>Not Applicable</b>
Brief description of procedures used to ensure product is represented by compliance test results:	<b>Not Applicable</b>

## Quality Control

Company maintains internal quality control program to ensure manufactured units are produced consistently and meet the requirements and acceptance criteria of listed standard(s):	<b>Yes</b>
Tested product sample was selected from typical production and is representative of commercial product. Where there are expected variations, sample was selected from production lot or group expected to give worst-case results:	<b>Yes</b>
If claim is for product other than product that was sampled and compliance tested, company maintains record of procedures used for extending claim in form of test results, calculations, formulations, or other information:	<b>Not Applicable</b>

## Self-Declaration Signature

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I affirm that I am authorized to make claims established in this declaration:	Yes
I certify that the information in this declaration is true and correct:	Yes
Date:	06/20/2023
Name of company representative:	Becky Hudock
Title:	Manager of Forbo 360 Support Services
Signature:	Becky Hudock

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# COMPLIANCE TESTED by berkeley analytical

## VOC Emission Test Certificate

**Product Name: Surestep Decibel**

Product Sample Information		Certificate Information	
Company:	Forbo Flooring Systems	Certificate No:	230824-01
Company Website:	www.forbo.com	Certified By:	 Raja S. Tannous, Laboratory Director
Product Type:	Flooring (all types)	Date:	August 24, 2023
Date Produced:	7/28/2023		

**Reference Standard:** California Department of Public Health CDPH/EHLB/Standard Method Version 1.2, 2017 (Emission testing method for CA Specification 01350)

### Acceptance Criteria and Results Demonstrating Compliance of Product Sample to Referenced Standard:

Exposure Scenario <sup>1</sup>	Individual VOCs of Concern <sup>2</sup>		Formaldehyde <sup>3</sup>		TVOC <sup>4</sup>
	Criterion	Compliant?	Criterion	Compliant?	Range
School Classroom	≤½ Chronic REL	YES	≤9.0 µg/m <sup>3</sup>	YES	≤ 0.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Private Office	≤½ Chronic REL	YES	≤9.0 µg/m <sup>3</sup>	YES	≤ 0.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

**Product Coverage<sup>5</sup>:** Not applicable

1. Exposure scenarios & product quantities for classroom & office are defined in Tables 4-2 – 4-5 (CDPH Std. Mtd. V1.2-2017)
2. Maximum allowable concentrations of individual target VOCs are specified in Table 4-1 (*ibid.*)
3. Maximum allowable formaldehyde concentration is ≤9 µg/m<sup>3</sup>, effective Jan 1, 2012; previous limit was ≤16.5 µg/m<sup>3</sup> (*ibid.*)
4. Informative only; predicted TVOC Range in three categories, i.e., ≤0.5 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, >0.5 – 4.9 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, and ≥5.0 mg/m<sup>3</sup>
5. Informative and applicable only to tests of wet-applied products; grams of sample applied per square meter of substrate

### Standards & Codes Recognizing CDPH Standard Method V1.2 (partial list)

- USGBC LEED Version 4/4.1, BD&C, ID&C, Residential BD&C Multifamily
- The WELL Building Standard, WELL v2, Feature X06
- ANSI/GBI 01-2019 Green Globes Assessment Protocol

**Narrative:** Forbo Flooring Systems selected a sample representative of its Surestep Decibel vinyl flooring product and submitted it on 8/1/2023 for testing. Berkeley Analytical measured and evaluated the emissions of VOCs from this sample following CDPH/EHLB/Standard Method V1.2-2017. The results of the test are presented in Berkeley Analytical report, 135-099-01A-Aug2423.

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