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## FLOORSORE AND CHPS WHAT THEY ARE AND WHAT THEY MEAN

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**Floorscore** approved products have been independently tested to verify that the product meets the VOC (volatile organic compound) criteria established by the California Section 01350 Program.

**CHPS** (California High Performance Schools) approved products have been independently tested to verify that the product meets the VOC (volatile organic compound) criteria established by the California Section 01350 Program.

**So what's the difference?** Nothing. Both use the identical test criteria.

Floorscore, operated by SGS testing, is a for-profit organization that profits on the Floorscore brand (and CA Section 01350 testing standards). It is strictly a marketing logo representing that a Floorscore product has been tested and passes the CA IAQ test. All Zandur flooring products have been tested to CA Section 01350 IAQ standards and meets those standards (CHPS standards). Note below a caption from the floorscore site regarding what the certification means. You can reference this directly at [http://www.rfci.com/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=80&Itemid=79](http://www.rfci.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=80&Itemid=79).

The Zandur CHPS / CA 01350 test results are available to clients and specifiers by request. The important issue to note is that in terms of meeting LEED criteria, CHPS and Floorscore products qualify for equal credit (IEQ 4.3). The Floorscore certification DOES NOT provide any additional credits. For further information on Zandur LEED credit qualification or other product information, please contact Zandur or your local sales group.

The following information is quoted directly from the Floorscore website:

### **“ What is FloorScore® IAQ Certification?**

When it comes to indoor air quality, a primary concern is the emission level of specific volatile organic compounds (VOCs). **FloorScore® IAQ Certification means that a flooring product is independently certified by SCS to comply with the volatile organic compound emissions criteria of the California Section 01350 Program.** Hundreds of resilient flooring materials and their adhesives bear the FloorScore® seal. This seal tells you that the products have been independently certified by SCS to comply with the volatile organic compound emissions criteria of the California Section 01350 standard. Any product that has met these stringent standards is a product that will contribute to good indoor air quality. The FloorScore® certification means healthier, cleaner air. And that means healthier humans.”