

Certificate: „medically recommended for lodgings“

From the second quarter of the year 2002 on, the chief editor of the German Journal for Medically Sound Lodgings (Zeitschrift für Wohnmedizin) awards and publishes the certificate “medically recommended for lodgings.”

Criteria valid from June 4, 2002

Among others, the certificate can be awarded for the following products or product groups:

- Materials for interior decoration (wall papers, carpets, paints etc.)
- Construction materials
- Furniture
- Chemicals for indoor use, wood preservatives, cleaning and care products

Among others, these are the criteria for the certificate to be awarded:

- Products must be healthy and ecologically beneficial
- Low emissions
- Favourable influence on room climate and comfortableness
- Amelioration of room air quality
- Favourable psychological features (colour design, aesthetics, choice of material, harmony, room atmosphere)
- Increase of contentment, comfort and health inside lodgings
- Favourable influence on utility value and expediency of lodgings

The competence for the final decision about the bestowal of the certificate has:

Professor Dr. K. Fiedler

Chief editor of the Journal for Medically Sound Lodgings and

Head of the commission on medically sound lodgings and building hygiene of the Society for Hygiene and Environmental Medicine.

For more information see www.wohnmedizin.de (only in German) from which this summary has been translated.

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