Certi-label[™] Confidence



CERTI - LABEL[™] QUALITY AUDITED CEDAR SHAKES & SHINGLES

CERTI-LABEL[™] PRODUCT OVERVIEW

A Valuable Investment

Certi-label[™] cedar shakes and shingles have a special warmth and elegance, an architectural look that states classic quality, taste and timelessness. Aside from their aesthetic value, Certi-label™ products are lightweight, as well as wind and impact resistant. Western Red Cedar (Thuja plicata) withstands serious freeze/thaw cycles and its natural oils resist decay. For added protection, Certi-labelTM cedar products are available with pressureimpregnated preservative or pressureimpregnated fire retardant treatment. Enhancing a home with the beauty of Certi-label[™] cedar provides homeowners with an investment that will last and last... and last.

Not all cedar shake and shingle products are alike.

Certi-label[™] products, manufactured by Cedar Shake & Shingle Bureau ("CSSB") members, assure the highest quality standards. Member mills have committed to consistent quality through unannounced third party inspections by accredited agencies. In addition, a second level of quality assurance is conducted by the CSSB Cedar Quality Auditor. Each bundle of product has the mill's distinctive Certi-label[™] tucked under the bundle strap. Asking for "the blue label" or "number one blue label" is not specific enough. CSSB members' products are the only ones with the Certi brand name on the label.

There is a difference between a shake and a shingle. The one you choose depends upon the design and look you require.



Certi-Split®: a handsplit & resawn shake with the split face exposed to give a naturally rustic appearance.



Certigrade®: a shingle, sawn on both sides. For a tailored appearance on roofs and sidewalls.



Certi-Sawn®: a tapersawn shake, sawn on both sides. Used on both roofs and sidewalls for a semi-textured look with a stronger shadowline than a shingle.



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Certi-Ridge®: two shakes or shingles preassembled into hip and ridge units that cap the peaks of a roof structure.



SPECIALTY SIDEWALL PRODUCTS Packaged In Boxes

Certigrade®: a rebutted/rejointed shingle. A sawn shingle, remanufactured on four sides to ensure square butts and parallel edges for superior appearance on sidewall applications. Also available with sanded or machine grooved face. **(Certigroove®).**

Certi-Cut®: a fixed-width shingle available in a variety of patterns. Used for designer accents.





CERTI-GUARD[®] RESSURE-TREATED FIRE-RETARDANT SHAKES & SHINGLES CEDAR SHAKE & SHINGLE BUREAU

CERTI-LAST® PRESERVATIVE TREATED CEDAR SHAKES & SHINGLES CEDAR SHAKE & SHINGLE BUREAU **Certi-Guard®:** permanent fire protection is provided by factory pressureimpregnating fire retardant polymers into the innermost cells of Certi-label[™] cedar shakes and shingles to meet Class A, B and C testing standards.

Certi-Last®: long term protection from fungal decay is provided with factory pressure-impregnated treatment of preservatives that will extend the life of Certi-label[™] cedar shake and shingle roofs.

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PRODUCT INFORMATION

Wind



Certi-label[™] cedar shakes and shingles have undergone the UL-1897 (fourth edition) "Uplift Test for Roof Covering Systems" with exemplary results of 90 PSF (173 MPH) for Certigrade® shingles and 180 PSF (245MPH) for Certi-Split® shakes.

A subsequent report to the UL-1897 fourth edition "Uplift Test for Roof Covering Systems" by a Florida Registered Professional Engineer converted results, using no safety factors. Extrapolation calculations were performed for a specific house in the Dade County area of Florida using the analytical method for wind design of roof cladding set forth in Section 6 of ASCE-7-98 (American Society of Civil Engineers). For a full engineer's report contact the CSSB.



Hail

In order to qualify for UL-2218 Class 3 & 4 impact resistance ratings, Certi-label[™] cedar shakes and shingles undergo the same testing procedures as any other roofing product in the marketplace. A Class 3 or 4 rating is a Class 3 or 4 rating, regardless of product type. Unlike many competitive products with replacement color lot issues, the beauty of cedar is that sections can be repaired rather than having to tear off the entire roof. This saves time and money.



Environment

Trees are a renewable resource and an environmentally sound choice. Most wood substitutes deplete nonrenewable natural resources from Mother Nature such as petrochemicals and ores. Wood is nontoxic, energy efficient to produce and eminently recyclable and biodegradable, unlike substitute products. Certi-label™ shakes and shingles are Envirosmart[®], made from responsibly managed timber stands.



Fire

In order to obtain a Class A, B or C fire retardant rating, Certi-label™ cedar shakes and shingles undergo the same testing procedures as any other roofing product in the marketplace. A Class A, B or C rating is a Class A, B or C rating, regardless of product type. Certi-Guard® pressure-impregnated fire retardant treated cedar shakes and shingles have been tested to meet Class A, B and C standards for use in fire hazard areas. Check with the local building official for specific area requirements.

Always consult a professional for advice on roofing projects. CSSB Associate Business and Professional members are available to assist.

MEMBERSHIP

Manufacturer

A membership held by mills that produce cedar shakes and/or shingles to a standard Retailer, Wholesaler or Broker member of quality represented by the Certi-label™ brand. Member mills must meet grading standards and undergo unannounced third party inspections and audits in order to put the Certi-label™ on their roofing and sidewall products.

Treater

Treater membership is held by companies that treat cedar shakes & shingles at a facility with either pressure-impregnated fire retardant or pressure-impregnated preservative treatment. Treater members must meet quality and treatment standards to offer the Certi-Guard® or Certi-Last® label.

Distributor

A Distributor membership is held by a that sells Certi-label[™] shakes and shingles to various locations in North America and/or exports them overseas.

Approved Installer

Approved Installer membership is granted to firms agreeing to apply cedar shakes and shingles to roofs and walls in accordance with application standards established by the CSSB, or to stricter standards if required by local building codes. Approved Installer members can offer the CSSB-administered 20/25 Year Limited Warranty to a homeowner or builder with every completed installation.



Architect: Shope Reno Wharton, Photo: Robert Benson

HISTORY

On June 9, 1915, at a meeting of the Trustees of the West Coast Lumber Manufacturers Association, it was agreed to establish a branch of the association to serve those members who manufactured shingles. The CSSB's influence grew, and as the organization survived both the Great Depression and World War II, manufacturers continued their quality commitment.

Manufacturers' product lines broadened, and in1988 the members changed the organization's name to the Cedar Shake & Shingle Bureau. In the late 1980s, mill quality control inspections were subcontracted to independent, third party quality control agencies.

It is very important to note that the CSSB established the grading rule standards for the shake & shingle industry. To this day the CSSB goes the extra step by assuring that these standards are adhered to in member mills, by a stringent quality control program.

Each year CSSB staff answer thousands of technical questions and product selection queries. The responsibility for educating the public and building code officials falls on this key industry association. The CSSB is known as the recognized industry authority and its knowledgeable staff earn that distinction each and every day.

The CSSB offers an attractive combination: quality Certi-label[™] products manufactured, sold and applied by quality people.



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SERVICE



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Additional information is as close as the nearest computer or telephone. All CSSB members are listed on the extensive website: www.cedarbureau.org. On this site one will find a member list, application details, and much more.

Talented District Managers located in strategic areas of North America are available to provide detailed answers to specific questions. The CSSB has been educating people since 1915: CSSB representatives give seminars, attend trade shows and visit interested people year round. They are ready and able to help source the cedar product or service needed.

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