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CARB Air Toxic Control Measure Regulation

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) passed the Airborne Toxic Control Measure (ATCM) in 2007 to limit the amount of formaldehyde emissions permitted in composite wood products sold or used in finished in California. The guidelines cover hardwood plywood with veneer cores (HWPW-VC), hardwood plywood with composite cores (HWPW-CC), particleboard (PB), medium density fiberboard (MDF) and thin MDF (tMDF). The standards were released in two phases, with final emission limits in place in July 2012, as outlined below.

The CARB ATCM rules require panel manufacturers, distributors, importers, fabricators, and retailers of the covered composite wood products, including cabinet manufacturers, to only use composite wood products that meet the below CARB2 standards.

CARB regulations require CARB-compliant products to be labeled as such, either on the products or the packaging for finish goods. All Advanta Cabinets packaging labels carry a notification that the product provided is “California 93120 Compliant for Formaldehyde Phase II”, in accordance with ATCM regulations.

Advanta Cabinets only purchases composite wood products from CARB-certified suppliers and all Advanta products are CARB2 compliant.

PHASE 1 EMISSION STANDARDS (in parts per million (ppm))					
Effective Date	HWPW-VC	HWPW-CC	PB	MDF	tMDF
January 2009	0.08	—	0.18	0.21	0.21
July 2009	—	0.08	—	—	—
PHASE 2 EMISSION STANDARDS					
January 2010	0.05	—	—	—	—
January 2011	—	—	0.09	0.11	—
January 2012	—	—	—	—	0.13
July 2012	—	0.05	—	—	—