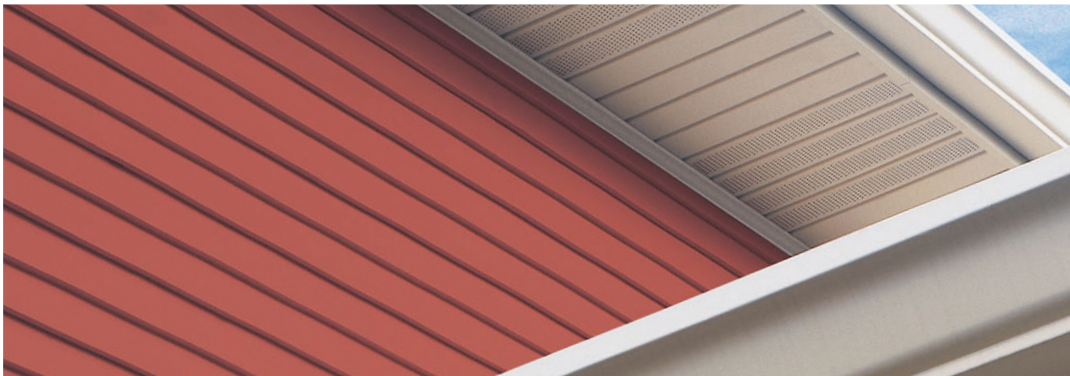


VINYL SIDING INSTITUTE



# Certified Vinyl Siding



*Quality and Color  
You Can Count On*



# Whether you're building a new home or re-siding an older one, the *quality* of the siding you choose is especially important.



When selecting from the wide variety of durable, attractive, and affordable vinyl siding products, choose certified vinyl siding to ensure that your home will maintain its durability and beauty for years to come.



Through the *VSI Product Certification Program*, manufacturers certify that vinyl siding products meet or exceed the industry standard ASTM D3679 for performance by undergoing a series of rigorous tests and inspections. As an additional demonstration of vinyl siding quality, manufacturers can also certify specific product colors under ASTM D6864 or D7251. An accredited, third-party quality control agency conducts twice yearly, unannounced inspections and additional tests to evaluate vinyl siding products for:

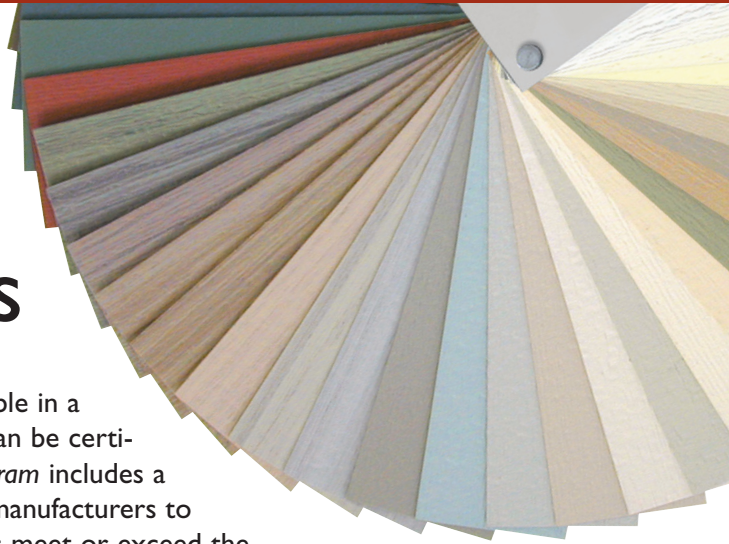
- Color retention (where applicable)
- Weatherability, windload, and impact resistance
- Expansion and shrinkage
- Surface distortion
- Length, width, and thickness verification



“We have found that the aesthetic properties of certified vinyl siding, combined with the product’s ability to retain its appearance and perform over time, make it a quality building material.”

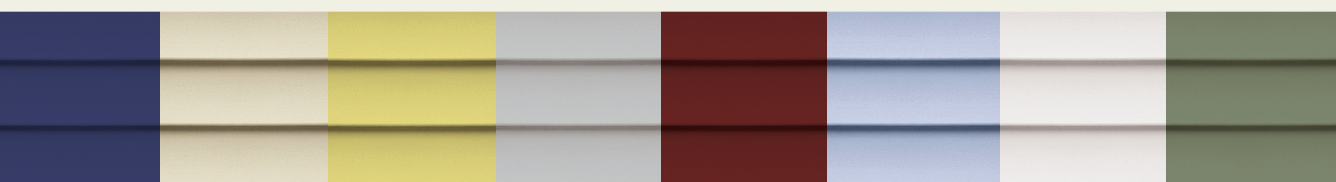
—DON CARPENTER, OAKWOOD HOMES, DENVER, CO

# A Prism of Possibilities



Certified vinyl siding has always been available in a variety of attractive colors, and its colors can be certified to last. The *VSI Product Certification Program* includes a “color retention” certification that allows manufacturers to verify that their solid and multi-hued colors meet or exceed the requirements of ASTM D6864 or D7251, the standards for solid color or multi-hued vinyl siding color retention.

Look for the following label or logo for all colors that have been independently verified to pass the rigorous weather testing requirements of ASTM D6864 or D7251. These symbols are your assurance that the vinyl siding you select will resist major color changes in a variety of climates.



## What Does Certification Mean to You?

No matter what brand, style, or color of vinyl siding you choose, you can be sure that certified products are high quality and made to last. If installed according to manufacturers' instructions, vinyl siding certified through VSI's program for quality will:

- Meet or exceed the industry standard for quality and performance.
- Meet or exceed one of the industry standards for color retention, and resist major color changes in a variety of climates (if certified for color retention).
- Withstand the impacts of recommended installation procedures.
- Meet manufacturers' advertised specifications for length, width, thickness, and gloss.
- Lay straight on a flat wall and not buckle under normal conditions.
- Withstand the effects of sunshine, rain, and heavy winds of at least 110 mph.



## What Is ASTM?

ASTM International is one of the largest consensus-based standards development organizations in the world. It has been developing technical standards for products for more than 100 years. ASTM standards for building materials are developed with input from consumers, building code officials, government agencies, architects, builders, and manufacturers. For more information, visit [www.astm.org](http://www.astm.org).

Advertising may indicate that vinyl siding meets the ASTM standard D3679, plus ASTM D6864 or ASTM D7251, but only siding certified through VSI's program has been independently verified by an accredited inspection agency to ensure they meet or exceed these standards. And, because the International Residential Code/International Building Code requires that vinyl siding be certified to meet ASTM D3679 by an approved quality control agency, looking for VSI's certification label is an easy way to ensure your vinyl siding measures up to code.

“I use certified vinyl siding so that I can meet or exceed my customers’ quality standards.”

—GEORGE SPONSELLER,  
EIKEINHOUT, INC., MT. PLEASANT, MI

## How Can You Find Certified Vinyl Siding?

Do-it-yourselfers and siding contractors can identify certified vinyl siding by looking for the certification label or logo on vinyl siding cartons, brochures, and websites. Homeowners can also request that their builders or remodelers only use vinyl siding certified through VSI’s program.



Builders, remodelers, and architects can specify certified siding as well and obtain it through their distributors.

For an up-to-date list of certified products and colors, visit VSI’s website at [www.vinylsiding.org](http://www.vinylsiding.org).



## There’s More... VSI’s Certified Installer Program

Certified vinyl siding performs best when installed by a qualified installer. Through VSI’s *Certified Installer Program*, you can identify and select a qualified professional who has demonstrated the knowledge and skills to apply your siding properly using the industry-approved techniques in ASTM D4756. Learn more about VSI’s *Certified Installer Program*, locate a Certified Installer in your area, or become a Certified Installer by visiting [www.vinylsiding.org](http://www.vinylsiding.org).



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means quality, control,  
and confidence.”

—JEFF KESTER,  
REGAL WHOLESALE,  
FALCONER, NY

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