

# CANADA

## **Alberta Forest Products Association (AFPA)**

AFPA is a non-profit association that represents companies manufacturing lumber, panel board, pulp and paper, and secondary manufactured wood products in Alberta. As the primary certification agency in Alberta, the AFPA is responsible for ensuring the quality of each piece of stamped lumber originating from its members.

The web site offers helpful information concerning the forestry industry in Alberta, a directory of members and a calendar of industry events.

[www.albertaforestproducts.ca/](http://www.albertaforestproducts.ca/)

## **BC Wood**

BC Wood is a not-for-profit trade association that has represented British Columbia's value-added wood products industry for over 20 years.

The web site offers helpful information concerning the forestry industry in BC and membership with the association. They have a "Guide & Tools" section with interesting topics like "Exporting BC Wood Products to China" and "How to Recession-Proof your business". You can also find the "Wood Products Specifiers Book". It offers specifications for wood construction products. The book is divided in seven sections:

1. Cabinets
2. Engineered Building Components
3. Furniture & Fixtures
4. Log and Timbers Frame
5. Millwork & Finish Products
6. Pre-Built Structures
7. Re-manufactured Products

[www.bcwood.com/](http://www.bcwood.com/)

## **Canadian Plywood Association (CANPLY)**

CANPLY is an association of plywood manufacturers in Canada.

The web site offers information concerning various plywood products manufactured in Canada. It also contains technical articles like "Glue and Bond Characteristics", "Fire Performance" and "Mold/Fungus" and Material Safety Data sheets. The site links to the CertiWood Technical Center, which is an engineered wood products testing and certification agency.

[www.canply.org](http://www.canply.org)

### **Canadian Standards Association (CSA)**

CSA is a partner of WPC in the development of industry standards for the Canadian wood preservation industry. The web site offers helpful information about standards, certification, training and how to join the association.

The Canadian Standards Association Online Store allows you to order standards and implementation tools such as handbooks, guidelines and “Smart” Standards in a variety of formats including hardcopy, PDF and CD-ROM.

[www.csa.ca](http://www.csa.ca)

### **Canadian Wood Council (CWC)**

CWC represents the Canadian wood products industry through a national federation of associations.

The website offers useful information on building codes, standards, permanent wood foundations, wood promotion and more. You can find all the specifications and information on wood products like lumber, panel products, glulam, cross-laminated timber (CLT), I-Joists, trusses, structural composite, treated wood and connections. The site features online calculators for board footage, dimensional change and spans as well as numerous free downloadable publications on wood durability, design and building performance.

[www.cwc.ca](http://www.cwc.ca)

### **Forest Products Association of Canada (FPAC)**

FPAC is the voice of Canada's wood, pulp, and paper producers.

The web site offers great information about forestry and sustainability projects in Canada. The Feel-Good section has a direct link to the Feel-Good website and all the news and information about the sustainability of the industry. The Media Center features downloadable publications and extensive links to the websites of industry, government, collaborators and partners in sustainable forestry.

[www.fpac.ca/index.php/en/](http://www.fpac.ca/index.php/en/)

## **FPInnovations**

FPInnovations is a partnership of more than 300 wood products industry and government members. Its purpose is to support its members in their efforts to improve the quality of their products, add value throughout the manufacturing chain, reduce production costs, expand market share, and monitor market trends. This is achieved through research and development projects as well as client-specific proprietary contracts.

The web site offers great information about research and development of wood products. Although much of the content is password protected for members, the Publications & Software section, includes Public Information downloads of case studies, technical reports presentations and fact sheets, “Borate-Treated Wood for Construction”, “Combating Termites” and much more.

[www.forintek.ca](http://www.forintek.ca)

## **Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA)**

PMRA is the government agency within Health Canada that oversees the registration of the pesticides used in the Canadian wood preservation industry.

The web site tells you everything you need to know about regulations governing pesticide registration and management in Canada. The “Search Pesticides Labels” tool on the home page allows you to access individual product labels.

[www.hc-sc.gc.ca/cps-spc/pest/index-eng.php](http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/cps-spc/pest/index-eng.php)

## **PTW Safety Info**

The PTW Safety Info website, reference on the end tags of treated wood, is designed to inform Canadian consumers who purchase and use pressure treated wood products. The website is managed by Wood Preservation Canada.

It offers consumer safety information for the following preservatives registered for use in residential applications:

- Alkaline Copper Quaternary (ACQ)
- Chromated Copper Arsenate (CCA)
- Copper Azole (CA)
- DDA Carbonate (DDAC)
- Borate (SBX)

[www.ptw-safetyinfo.ca/](http://www.ptw-safetyinfo.ca/)

## **Wood Preservation Canada (WPC)**

WPC is the trade association that represents the wood preservation industry in Canada. The web site is intended to promote and support the use of treated wood products by providing information on products, standards and the Canadian Wood Preservation Certification Authority.

Modules of the Member Toolbox are updated as required and made available online to members in a password-protected section of the website.

[www.woodpreservation.ca](http://www.woodpreservation.ca)

## **Wood *WORKS!***

Wood *WORKS!* is a national campaign led by the Canadian Wood Council that strives to increase the use of wood in commercial, industrial and institutional construction by creating a wood culture in Canada, where wood is the first choice and best value building material for all types of construction.

The site links to campaigns in Alberta, BC, Ontario and Quebec, all of which feature event calendars of education programs, workshops, design competitions and tours. Free publications and case studies are also available for download.

[www.wood-works.org/](http://www.wood-works.org/)

# UNITED STATES

## **American Forest and Paper Association (AF&PA)**

AF&PA is the national trade association of members that produce more than 75% of the U.S.'s pulp, paper, paper-based packaging and wood building materials – from independent family-owned mills to large publicly-owned companies.

Under Wood Products, the site has several downloadable Fact Sheets on Green Building and provides an overview of some of the major rating systems, with links to the respective websites.

[www.afandpa.org/](http://www.afandpa.org/)

## **American Institute of Timber Construction (AITC)**

AITC is the national technical trade association of the U.S. structural glued laminated (glulam) timber industry.

The web site features an extensive Technical Information section with downloadable tables of design values, design standards, manufacturing standards and technical notes.

[www.aitc-glulam.org/](http://www.aitc-glulam.org/)

## **American Wood Council (AWC)**

AWC's mission is to increase the use of wood by assuring the broad regulatory acceptance of wood products and by developing design tools and guidelines for building with wood.

The web site focuses on US codes and standards, providing tools for engineers, architects, building officials, builders, fire fighters and educators.

[www.awc.org/](http://www.awc.org/)

## **American Wood Protection Association (AWPA)**

The AWPA develops standards for the U.S. wood preservation industry and serves as a resource for knowledge on wood protection. It is a consensus body of wood treating companies, preservative manufacturers, scientists, academicians and treated wood users.

The web site provides references and technical information for homeowners, specifiers, builders, code officials, retailers and wood treaters.

[www.awpa.com/](http://www.awpa.com/)

### **Creosote Council**

The Creosote Council is a product stewardship organization composed of the principal creosote registrants in the United States.

The web site provides access to research done on creosote related to health, science and the environment.

[www.creosotecouncil.org](http://www.creosotecouncil.org)

### **North American Wood Pole Council (NAWPC)**

The NAWPC is an independent council that represents the producers and suppliers of wood poles and crossarms in North America. A primary focus of the council is to support and sustain the use of the produce and to provide information to designers, specifiers and users.

The web site is a storehouse of information on wood poles in North America, including extensive documentation in sections on Engineering and Design, Environmental and Wildlife, Product Disposal and Pole Life and Life Cycle Economics.

[www.woodpoles.org/](http://www.woodpoles.org/)

### **Southern Forest Products Association (SFPA)**

The SFPA represents Southern Pine lumber manufacturers in 11 U.S. Southern states and promotes the use of member products both domestically and internationally.

The web site offers technical information on Southern Pine products as well as tools like span tables, a board foot calculator, product locator and a DIY Center

<http://sfpa.org/>

### **Western Wood Preservers Institute (WWPI)**

WWPI represents the interest of the treated wood industry in Western North America. Its primary activities are regulatory and market outreach programs aimed at sustaining a viable preserved wood industry in the region.

The web site includes extensive downloadable information on all aspects of treated wood, with a particular focus on treated wood in aquatic and sensitive environments.

[www.wwpinstitute.org/](http://www.wwpinstitute.org/)