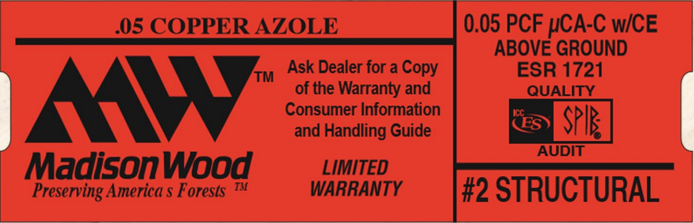


# MADISON WOOD TAG CHART



**UC3A ABOVE GROUND Protected**

Wood and wood based materials used in exterior construction that are coated and not in contact with the ground. Such products may be exposed to the full effects of weather, such as vertical exterior walls or other types of construction that allows water to quickly drain from the surface. Examples are coated millwork, siding and trim.

**UC3B ABOVE GROUND Exposed**

Wood and wood-based materials used in exterior construction that are not in contact with the ground. Materials do not require an exterior coating, but may be finished to achieve a desired aesthetic appearance. Materials are used for a variety of applications in either horizontal and vertical positions such as decking, sills, walkways, railings and fence pickets.

**Above Ground (.05 CA)**

Above ground use  
Applications where wood is expected to readily dry out between times it gets wet  
Areas of low or moderate decay hazard

**Approved Applications**

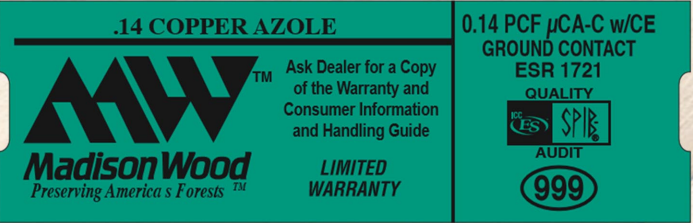
Deck boards, joists, rails, spindles, lattice, benches, and step treads  
Outdoor furniture, including Adirondack chairs and picnic tables used on a deck  
Residential fence pickets and rails  
Rough sawn agricultural fence boards

**Recommendations**

Decks should be built to allow good ventilation underneath, and should have spacing between the deck boards.  
Fence boards should always have adequate space under them (at least two inches) to ensure airflow and drying.

**Should Not Contact**

The ground, leaves, debris, or vegetation  
Water, including daily wetting from sprinklers or other sources of moisture  
Old wood that may be partially decayed



**UC4A GROUND CONTACT General Use**

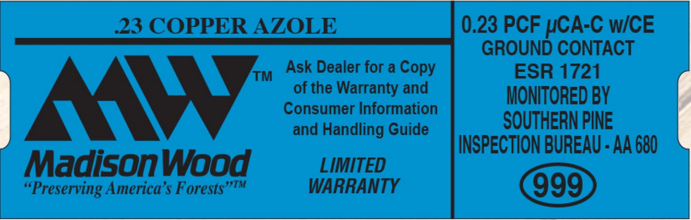
Wood and wood-based materials used in contact with the ground, fresh water, or other situations favorable to deterioration. Examples are fence posts, deck posts, guardrail posts, structural lumber, timbers and utility poles located in regions of low natural potential for wood decay and insect attack.

**Ground Contact (.14 CA)**

In ground or in contact with the ground  
In contact with debris  
In fresh water

**Approved Applications**

Posts supporting decks and fences  
Posts embedded in concrete  
Stair stringers that sit on the ground or on concrete on the ground  
For other projects such as planter boxes and understructure for walkways  
Structural members such as joists or beams that will be in close proximity to or contact with the ground  
Over water



**UC4B GROUND CONTACT Heavy Duty**

Wood and wood-based material used in contact with the ground either in severe environments, such as horticultural sites, in climates with a high potential for deterioration, in critically important components such as utility poles, building poles and permanent wood foundations, and wood used in salt water splash zones. This category includes utility poles used in moist temperate climates.

**Heavy Duty Ground Contact (.23 CA)**

For critical applications such as posts supporting permanent houses or other structures  
For areas with a severe decay hazard  
For critical structural applications where replacement is difficult  
Permanent wood foundations  
Fresh water dock piling  
Saltwater splash zones



**Stbilyzr Additive**

Moisture causes wood to swell and as the wood dries, it shrinks. This ongoing cycle stresses the wood, which leads to warping and cracking. Our Stabilizr additive is factory-applied with the preservative. It slows down the absorption and release of moisture, helping to maintain dimensional stability and reduce warping and cracking.



**Chromated Copper Arsenate (CCA) .60 CCA tag**

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Agricultural round and sawn fence post (.40 CCA)  
Submerged dock pilings  
Highway construction  
Pole Barns



**Chromated Copper Arsenate (CCA) 40 CCA tag**  
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