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More Sense than Ever

The Backyard  
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**7** Hot New  
Products  
for Outdoors

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# Garage Organization

Durable and Environmentally Conscious



There are two paramount concerns that should be addressed when adding organized storage to your garage. It's important to ensure organizational products are built to last and now, more than ever, it is imperative they are environmentally sound.

Jim Riggs of PremierGarage says his company offers a line of cabinetry, flooring and countertop products that address both longevity and environmental concerns. The products include butcher block countertops, hybrid-polymer based flooring with no Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs), and upscale cabinetry in a variety of colors that complies with regulations limiting formaldehyde emissions.

VOCs, including formaldehyde, are emitted as gases from many household products such as paints, varnishes, cleaning products, and pressed wood items like cabinets. They can cause eye and respiratory irritation and allergic reactions. PremierGarage's PremierOne™ floor coating for garages minimizes the obnoxious fumes associated with traditional epoxy flooring. The zero VOC floor coating is formulated to be safe for your family by eliminating harmful indoor air pollution. It is non-flammable and non-hazardous to people, pets, and the environment.

Lisa Bennett has used PremierGarage organizational products in three of her homes. "Their products last," she says, "and the floors are very resistant. The cabinets have an 'earthy' look and fit well with our

## What are VOCs?

Volatile Organic Compounds are emitted as gases from certain solids or liquids, including some paints and lacquers, office equipment, cleaning supplies, building materials, glues and adhesives. When VOCs are released into the air, they cause adverse health reactions in animals and humans.

second home, a lakefront log cabin with a two-level garage." She adds the organized garage helped her first home sell rapidly – in just four days – because it made the entire house look finished.

The organizational products include a hybrid-polymer based floor coating that is durable and resistant to chemicals, oil, and dirt. Bennett chose off-the-floor mounted dark laminate cabinetry that has thick shelves, able to bear loads up to 100 pounds, and has fully concealed steel hinges for durability.

"PremierGarage is a wonderful company," Bennett says. "It was the most seamless installation, and even the remote location of my cabin was not a problem for the installers."

When choosing a garage organizational system, it's also important to review how the company operates. PremierGarage, for example, takes steps to protect the environment by putting all major product brochures online and

using soy ink in the materials they do print. "We do all we can to help protect the environment," Riggs says. ❖

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