



## What is Latex Foam?

Latex is a naturally derived biodegradable product made from the sap of rubber trees. Latex foam can be natural, man-made, or a blend of the two. Latex foam is processed differently than other latex products, like balloons or gloves.

## Is Latex Foam Used in Adult Mattresses?

Yes. Latex foam has been used for decades in mattresses. It is the fastest growing specialty mattress material in the U.S. due to its unique feel.

## Why Use Latex Foam in a Crib Mattress?

There are many comfort, support and cleanliness benefits for a growing child that latex foam provides:

**Resiliency:** Our latex foam resists compression and recovers immediately. Unlike visco-elastic/memory foam, latex foam will not heat up and sink under baby's weight, which can cause pressure on the body.

**Breathability:** Our latex foam allows air to circulate yet tends to keep the body cooler in the summer and warmer in the winter.

**Hypoallergenic:** Our latex foam has been designed and tested to pass very strict allergy certifications to promote a clean sleeping environment; also due to its open cell structure, our latex foam inhibits bacteria, dust-mites and microbes from attaching to it.

**Pressure Point Relief:** Our latex foam contours to the natural curves of the body and disperses pressure providing the most comfortable sleep.



## If Your Latex Foam is Hypoallergenic, It Won't Cause Allergies?

Correct. Our latex foam is hypoallergenic. It passes the prestigious Oeko-Tex Certification parameters and is also certified by the EuroLatex Eco-Standard.

## What Is Oeko-Tex Certification?

Oeko-Tex is a globally recognized test for textiles in which a product must pass 100 parameters and simulations to determine detailed content of materials and human reactions for health and safety.

Evaluates and screens for any harmful substances present within processed textiles that can come into contact with consumers.

## What Is the EuroLatex Eco-Standard?

Our latex complies with the EuroLATEX Eco-Standard, a standard designed to scientifically test and approve standards for latex foam.

The EuroLATEX Eco-Standard was developed by the European Latex Foam Manufacturers Association in close co-operation with one of Europe's leading and most reputable scientific institutes, TFI Deutsches Teppich-Forschungs Institut in Aachen, Germany.

The Eco-Standard defines limits of substances considered harmful to health to ensure the latex foam does not contain any volatile or allergen-producing compounds.

## Why Do People React to Latex? How is Latex Foam Different than Latex Rubber?

Latex allergy or hypersensitivity occurs when the body's immune system reacts to proteins in natural rubber latex products. Proteins are found in every living organism. The proteins are what cause the body's immune system to respond in order to protect the body.

Latex foam is processed differently than closed-cell latex rubber products. Proteins are 100% removed from natural latex so they no longer contain anything that will trigger an allergic reaction. Additionally, man-made/synthetic latex does not contain allergy-producing proteins so reactions will not occur.

Finally, latex foam is an open-cell structure and is breathable (which is unlike latex rubber gloves, for safety), so microbes and allergens cannot live on latex foam.

