



Environmental Policy and Green Product Initiatives

USGBC - LEED:

U.S. Green Building Rating System for New Construction & Major Renovations USGBC LEED Certification (LEED-NC) Version 2.2

Southwest Contract products are manufactured to strict quality controls per the specifications detailed below. These products may contribute towards specific credits under U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) criteria.

The following information and criteria are based upon the LEED Green Building Rating System for New Construction and Major Renovations, Version 2.2 October, 2005.

INFORMATION FOR QUALIFYING CREDITS

	LEED CATEGORY	INTENT	REQUIREMENTS	POSSIBLE POINTS	QUALIFYING PRODUCTS
MR 4.1 Recycled Content: 10% (post = 1/2 pre-consumer)	Materials and Resources MR 4.1	Increase the use of building products that contain recycled content material	Sum of recycled content constitutes at least 10% of materials in the project	1 Point	Laminate contains 22% by weight post-industrial waste Core material is 100% post-consumer/post-industrial waste Steel bed frames are 100% post-consumer/post-industrial recovered waste Carton material is 45% by weight post-consumer material Fabrics are 100% recycled content at the appropriate grade pricing
MR 4.1 Recycled Content: 20% (post = 1/2 pre-consumer)	Materials and Resources MR 4.2	Increase the use of building products that contain recycled content material	Sum of recycled content constitutes at least 20% of materials in the project	1 Point added to 4.1	Laminate contains 22% by weight post-industrial waste Core material is 100% post-consumer/post-industrial waste Steel bed frames are 100% post-consumer/post-industrial recovered waste Carton material is 45% by weight post-consumer material Fabrics are 100% recycled content at the appropriate grade pricing
MR 5.1 Regional Materials: 10% Extracted, Processed & Manufactured Regionally	Materials and Resources MR 5.1	Increase the use of building products that are extracted and manufactured within the project region	A minimum of at least 10% of combined value of the construction materials/products manufactured within a 500 mile radius	1 Point	Production sites: Temple, Texas Atlanta, Georgia Dumas, Arkansas Louisville, Kentucky Chicago, Illinois Lindsay, Ontario
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MR 6.0 Rapidly Renewable Materials	Materials and Resources MR 6.0	Increase the use of materials derived from plants that are harvested within a ten year cycle	2.5% of total value of all materials used	1 Point	Wool fabric at graded prices Corn fabrics at graded prices Laminate contains cotton and American spruce content Wheat core, once available, qualified. Awaiting its reintroduction into the market
MR 7.0 Certified Wood	Materials and Resources MR 7.0	Increase the use of Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) certified wood	Minimum of 50% of wood-based materials certified according to FSC	1 Point	Standard product comes from verified Sustainable Hardwood Forests as defined by the United States Forestry Service FSC certified wood available at approximately a 12% price increase for the designated wood product FSC certified composite core available at approximately a 28% price increase
IEQ 4.4: Low Emitting Materials: Composite Wood & Agrifiber Products	Indoor Environmental Quality MR 4.4	Reduce indoor air contaminants and improve indoor air quality	Composite wood products must contain no added urea formaldehyde resins	1 Point	Standard product core material contains urea-formaldehyde, but tests show emissions to be 90 parts per billion, well below National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants Urea-formaldehyde free core available at a 20% price increase All laminate is Greenguard certified All laminate glue is Greenguard certified Wood finished materials range from 0.00 to 0.56 HAPS/pound, well below standards Greenguard certified fabrics within fabric grading program Wood finish meets BIFMA-M7.1-2007