



LEED O+M: Existing Buildings | v2008

Sustainable purchasing - durable goods

MRc2.2 | Possible 1 point

Glossary

Intent

To reduce the environmental and air quality impacts of the materials acquired for use in the operations and maintenance of buildings.

Requirements

Maintain a sustainable purchasing program covering items available at a higher cost per unit and durable goods that are replaced infrequently and/or may require capital program outlays to purchase. Materials that may be considered either ongoing consumables (see MR Credit 1) or durable goods can be counted under either category provided consistency is maintained with MR Credit 1, with no contradictions, exclusions or double-counting. Consistency must also be maintained with MR Credit 8.

- MR Credit 2.1: Electric-Powered Equipment. One point is awarded to projects that achieve sustainable purchases of at least 40% of total purchases of electric-powered equipment (by cost) during the performance period. Examples of electric-powered equipment include, but are not limited to, office equipment (computers, monitors, copiers, printers, scanners, fax machines), appliances (refrigerators, dishwashers, water coolers), external power adapters, and televisions and other audiovisual equipment. Sustainable purchases are those that meet one of the following criteria:
 - The equipment is ENERGY STAR labeled (for product categories with developed specifications).
- The equipment (either battery or corded) replaces conventional gas-powered equipment. Examples include, but are not limited to, maintenance equipment and vehicles, landscaping equipment and cleaning equipment.
- MR Credit 2.2: Furniture. One point is awarded to projects that achieve sustainable purchases of at least 40% of total purchases of furniture (by cost) during the performance period. Sustainable purchases are those that meet one or more of the following criteria:
 - Purchases contain at least 10% post-consumer and/or 20% post-industrial material.
 - Purchases contain at least 70% material salvaged from off-site or outside the organization.
 - Purchases contain at least 70% material salvaged from on-site, through an internal organization materials and equipment reuse program.
 - Purchases contain at least 50% rapidly renewable material.
 - Purchases contain at least 50% Forest Stewardship Council (FSC)-certified wood.
 - Purchases contain at least 50% material harvested and processed or extracted and processed within 500 miles of the project.

Each furniture purchase can receive credit for each sustainable criterion met (i.e., a \$100 purchase that contains both 10% postconsumer recycled content and 50% of content harvested within 500 miles of the project counts twice in the calculation, for a total of \$200 of sustainable purchasing).

Durable goods must be purchased during the performance period to earn points in this credit.