



Building reuse

Possible 1 point

Intent

To extend the life cycle of buildings and conserve resources, reduce waste, and reduce environmental harm from materials manufacturing and transport for new buildings.

Requirements

Case 1. five buildings or fewer

For projects with five or fewer buildings undergoing major renovations, reuse 50% of one such building, based on surface area. Calculations must include structural elements (e.g., floors, roof decking) and enclosure materials (e.g., skin, framing). Exclude from the calculations window assemblies, nonstructural roofing material, and any hazardous materials that are remediated as part of the project.

Case 2. more than five buildings

For projects with more than five buildings undergoing major renovations, reuse 20% of the total surface area of such buildings (including structure and enclosure materials, as defined in Case 1).

For All Projects

Do not demolish any historic buildings or contributing buildings in a historic district, or portions thereof, or alter any cultural landscapes as part of the project.

An exception is granted only with approval from an appropriate review body. For buildings or landscapes listed locally, approval must be granted by the local historic preservation review board, or equivalent. For buildings or landscapes listed in a state register or in the National Register of Historic Places (or equivalent for projects outside the U.S.), approval must appear in a programmatic agreement with the state historic preservation office or National Park Service (or local equivalent for projects outside the U.S.).