

LEED BD+C: Data Centers | v4 - LEED v4
Optimize energy performance

Possible 18 points

Intent

To achieve increasing levels of energy performance beyond the prerequisite standard to reduce environmental and economic harms associated with excessive energy use.

Requirements

Whole-Building Energy Simulation

Analyze efficiency measures focused on IT load reduction and HVAC-related strategies (air-side economizers, hot aisle–cold aisle, etc.). Project the potential energy savings and cost implications for all affected systems.

Follow the criteria in EA Prerequisite Minimum Energy Performance to demonstrate a percentage improvement in the proposed performance rating compared with the baseline.

Use energy cost savings from both the building and IT to determine the total percentage reduction.

Table 1. Points for percentage improvement in energy performance

New Construction	Major Renovation	Core and Shell	Points (except Schools, Healthcare)	Points Healthcare	Points Schools
6%	4%	3%	1	3	1
8%	6%	5%	2	4	2
10%	8%	7%	3	5	3
12%	10%	9%	4	6	4
14%	12%	11%	5	7	5
16%	14%	13%	6	8	6
18%	16%	15%	7	9	7
20%	18%	17%	8	10	8
22%	20%	19%	9	11	9
24%	22%	21%	10	12	10
26%	24%	23%	11	13	11
29%	27%	26%	12	14	12
32%	30%	29%	13	15	13
35%	33%	32%	14	16	14
38%	36%	35%	15	17	15
42%	40%	39%	16	18	16
46%	44%	43%	17	19	-
50%	48%	47%	18	20	-

Pilot ACPs Available

The following pilot alternative compliance path is available for this credit. See the [pilot credit library](#) for more information.

- [EApc95: Alternative Energy Performance Metric ACP](#)
- [EApc107 - Energy performance metering path](#)
- [EApc111: Alternative Performance Rating Method](#)
- [EApc120: District Energy](#)