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LEED Credit ISO 14021 Standards Statement High Pressure and Compact Standard, Natura, Specialty Laminates

LEED-NC and LEED for Schools Credit for Natura Compact and High Pressure Laminates

Committing to the sustainability and improvement of the world is an expectation from industry leaders in the architectural market. We are proud to take part by manufacturing high pressure, compact and specialty Natura laminate products that provide architects and building owners with LEED credits for their new construction and school projects. We strive to minimize environmental impact as much as possible by offering sustainable, innovative and high-performance solutions for today's buildings and facilities.

LEED® Credit Statement

LEED-NC and LEED for Schools Credit for High Pressure, Compact Standard, Natura and Specialty Laminates (materials).

LEED-NC Energy and Atmosphere

Credit 1 Optimized Energy Performance

The reflective surfaces of the lighter colors of our materials may help reduce the number of light fixtures and related energy costs.

LEED-NC Materials and Resources

Credits 2.1 and 2.2 Construction Waste Management

Our materials are recycled at the factory and utilized as a fuel and energy source to operate the facility.

LEED-NC Indoor Environmental Quality

Credits 3.1 and 3.2

Resource Reuse / Construction IAQ Management Plan

Our materials contain non-detectable levels of VOCs (volatile organic compounds), do not contribute to air pollution and do not release dust or fibers. These products are fabricated off-site to reduce on-site cutting and finishing.

Credit 4.1

Low-emitting Materials, Adhesives and Sealants

Our materials contain extremely low levels of VOCs (volatile organic compounds) and do not contribute to air pollution.

Credits 4.1 and 4.2

Recycled Content

Our materials are made from recycled pre-consumer (up to 5%), post industrial (up to 10%) recycled content.

Credit 4.4

Low-emitting Materials, Composite Wood

No urea-formaldehyde is added during the manufacturing process of our materials and contains non-detectable levels of VOCs.

Credit 6.0

Rapidly Renewable Materials

Approximately 70% of our materials are manufactured with kraft paper that is rapidly renewable and FSC Certified.

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Certified Wood

In addition, up to 70% of our materials are manufactured with FSC Certified kraft paper.

Credits 8.1 and 8.2

Daylight and Views

Lighter colors (i.e. white) of our materials have high light reflectance ratings, allowing daylight to penetrate farther into finished spaces.

LEED-NC Innovation and Design Process

Credit 1.1

Innovation in Design

Our materials are extremely versatile, strong and used for many uses and innovative applications with extremely long life cycles.

Recycled Content ISO 14021-1999

International Standard ISO 14021-1999, Environmental Labels and Declarations (Type II environmental labeling), specifies requirements for self-declared environmental claims, regarding products, including statements, symbols and graphics, regarding products.

It further describes selected terms commonly used in environmental claims and gives qualifications for their use. It also describes a general evaluation and verification methodology for self-declared environmental claims and specific evaluation and verification methods for the selected claims.

ISO 14021-1999 is a referenced standard for Recycled Content MR Credit 4 in LEED 2009 Reference Guide for Green Interior Design and Construction and Green Building Design and Construction, which incorporates guidance for new construction projects for three LEED rating systems: LEED 2009 for New Construction and Major Renovations, LEED 2009 for Schools and New Construction and Major Renovations and LEED 2009 for Core & Shell Development.

Based upon the above, the Natura brand of compact, specialty, high pressure and Natura products contain between 3% and 5% pre-consumer recycled content of wood fiber in the kraft paper used to manufacture our materials and can contain up to 10% post industrial recycled content in the kraft paper as determined in accordance with ISO 14021.