

Green Building Certification

To receive stewardship recognition for **GREEN BUILDING CERTIFICATION** a site's facilities must be certified or registered for certification as green buildings. Certification must be given by a recognized green building organization, such as LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design), Green Globes, and Energy Star Qualified Buildings and Plants that uses an established rating system and certification process to evaluate newly constructed buildings or major renovations of existing buildings. Evaluations normally consider the complete life cycle of a building.



Sustainable design through GREEN BUILDING CERTIFICATION

*A site will receive stewardship recognition if it is registered as working towards achieving green building recognition.

*A site that has actual certification from a third party recognized green building organization will also achieve stewardship recognition.

*A site that qualifies for Green Building Certification will also receive recognition for an additional stewardship category — Green Building Implementation.



Basic Certification 40 - 49 points Silver Certification 50 - 59 points Gold Certification 60 - 79 points Platinum Certification 80 - 110 points

Awards for **GREEN BUILDING CERTIFICATION** are often based on:

- ⇒ Construction on environmentally favorable building sites - low impact, easily accessible
- ⇒ Efficient water usage throughout site
- ⇒ Use of new and innovative design, building techniques, or technologies
- ⇒ Awareness of regional environmental concerns and priorities
- ⇒ High indoor air quality
- ⇒ Use of energy efficient, low carbon generating equipment

Benefits of Green Building:

1. Reduced costs of building operation associated with lower energy and water consumption.
2. Safer environment for occupants.
3. Reduced environmental impact.
4. Greater ease in complying with existing regulation.
5. Improved public image.
6. Possible tax rebates.
7. Improved accessibility.

For more information on **GREEN BUILDING CERTIFICATION:**

US Green Building Council

<http://www.usgbc.org/>

LEED

<https://new.usgbc.org/leed>

Green Building Initiative - US Green Globes

<https://www.thegbi.org/>

Energy Star Buildings and Plants

<https://www.energystar.gov/buildings>

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