



# Green Notes

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## Points Eligible for Wood Components per LEED—New Construction Rating System

*This is a supplement to the SBCA wood component green point Summary Sheet. The following sections of the LEED-NC rating system are credits component manufacturers can contribute to. In some cases the language has been summarized for brevity; consult LEED-NC for exact language (available [here](#)).*

*There are 6 credit sections within LEED-NC, one of which is called Materials & Resources. The points listed below are taken from this section. While there are some points available for the use of components built with certified wood products, component manufacturers need not build trusses and wall panels with certified lumber to contribute green points. As you will see, other points exist.*

**MR 2 Construction Waste Management** (up to 2 points). Recycle and/or salvage non-hazardous construction and demolition debris. Develop and implement a construction waste management plan that, at a minimum, identifies the materials to be diverted from disposal and whether the materials will be sorted on-site or commingled. Calculations can be done by weight or volume, but must be consistent throughout. The minimum percentage debris to be recycled or salvaged for each point threshold is as follows:

50% 1 point  
75% 2 points

**MR 5 Regional Materials** (up to 2 points). Use building materials or products that have been extracted, harvested or recovered, as well as manufactured, within 500 miles of the project site for a minimum of 10% or 20% (based on cost) of the total materials value. If only a fraction of a product or material is extracted, harvested or recovered and manufactured locally, then only that percentage (by weight) can contribute to the regional value. The minimum percentage regional materials for each point threshold is as follows:

10% 1 point  
20% 2 points

**MR 7 Certified Wood** (1 point). Use a minimum of 50% (based on cost) of wood-based materials and products that are certified in accordance with the Forest Stewardship Council's (FSC) principles and criteria, for wood building components. These components include at a minimum structural framing and general dimensional framing, flooring, sub-flooring, wood doors and finishes.

*Note: This supplement and its corresponding Summary Sheet represent points that wood structural building components will most likely be eligible for within LEED-NC. However, additional points in the rating system may apply to your project, so be sure to consult the project team and/or rating system to determine which (if any) extra points are available. The determination as to whether wood components contribute points toward LEED certification is at the discretion of the LEED Accredited Professional and/or project review panel assigned to the project.*

