



# Metro Roof Products

## Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED®) Guidelines

This guideline provides a summary of the USGBC's new LEED® 2009 green building rating program. It offers an overview of how metal roofing products from Metro Roof Products can benefit a design team involved in a LEED® registered building project.

A roofing product is only one component of an integrated building design program. The LEED® rating system takes into account the building envelope and interior design materials and technologies that affect the energy usage, environmental impact, and social quality of the design, construction and operation of a building.

This guideline describes credits and points in the LEED® 2009 Green Building Design and Construction program for which metal roofing products manufactured by Metro Roof Products could qualify.



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## What is LEED® 2009?

The US Green Building Council established the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED®) green building rating program in 1998. It uses a consensus-based process to create standards for transforming the building environment and emphasizing sustainable building design. LEED® 2009 is the newest version of the USGBC green building certification program used by many architects and most Federal agencies, states and local governments.

LEED® 2009 promotes an integrated “whole building” design approach to sustainability and recognizes seven key areas:

- Sustainable Sites
- Water Efficiency
- Energy and Atmosphere
- Materials and Resources
- Indoor Environmental Quality
- Regional Priority
- Innovation in Design

LEED® 2009 now contains rating programs for Green Building Design and Construction, Green Interior Design and Construction, and Green Building Operations and Maintenance.

This Metro Roof Products guideline is based on the LEED® 2009 Green Building Design and Construction program.

To gain LEED® certification, a **building** must meet certain requirements and benchmarks related to the building’s performance. Points are awarded for credits in each of the seven key areas listed above.

The point structure of each category for the Building Design and Construction program is as follows:

- Sustainable Sites (SS) – max 26 points
- Water Efficiency (WE) – max 10 points
- Energy and Atmosphere (EA) – max 35 points
- Materials and Resources (MR) – max 14 points
- Indoor Environmental Quality (IEQ) – max 15 points
- Regional Priority (RP) – max 4 points
- Innovation in Design (ID) – max 6 points

Building projects are awarded LEED® 2009 certification at four distinct levels:

- Certified ( 40-49 points)
- Silver ( 50-59 points)
- Gold ( 60-79points)
- Platinum ( 80+points)

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## ***How do Cool Metal Roofing products from Metro Roof Products qualify for points in a LEED® 2009 certified new building project?***

### **Sustainable Sites**

Metro Roof Products supplies cool metal roof products that have solar reflectance and thermal emittance values that can meet the Solar Reflectance Index steep slope criteria for this credit.

Metro Roof Products has 5 colors we are promoting and three (3) provide SRI values greater than 29.

PEARL WHITE –	SR = 0.41	EMIT = 0.92	SRI = 47
ASPEN -	SR = 0.32	EMIT = 0.93	SRI = 36
OAK -	SR = 0.28	EMIT = 0.93	SRI = 30.9

These colors meet the “Sustainable Sites” Credit 7.2 requirement of a minimum SRI of 29.

#### Credit 7.2: Heat Island Effect - Roof (1 pt)

*“Use roofing materials having a Solar Reflectance Index (SRI) equal to or greater than the values listed below for a minimum of 75% of the roof surface.”*

*Low-Sloped Roof – ≤2:12 pitch SRI 78*

*Steep-Sloped Roof - >2:12 pitch SRI 29*

The Solar Reflectance Index (SRI) is an alternative method for measuring the radiative properties of roofing materials. SRI is defined by ASTM Standard E1980-01 and is a calculation that uses the solar reflectance (ASTM E903 or C1549) and thermal emittance (ASTM C1371) properties of a surface. EPA summarizes SRI as “the relative steady-state surface temperature with respect to the standard white (SRI=100) and standard black (SRI=0) under the standard solar and ambient conditions.” SRI is often used as an alternative measurement for roof products that have a low thermal emittance but a very high solar reflectance (ex. unpainted or natural metal roofing). In theory, the higher solar reflectance will outweigh the impact of low thermal emittance.

### **Materials & Resources**

Metro Roof Products’ metal roofing products have a high recycled content. The Galvalume steel substrate has a recycled content of at least 25%. Metro’s roofing products, including the stone granules, are also 100% recyclable at the end of their useful life. A metal roof is a very durable material. It can be reused for the building envelope of a new project. These properties and characteristics allow for Metro Roof Products’ metal roofing to qualify for the following points in the Materials & Resources category of LEED® 2009.

#### Credit 2: Construction Waste Management (1 -2 pts)

*“Recycle and/or salvage [at least 50% or 75% of] 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*

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*the materials will be sorted on-site or comingled. Excavated soil and land-clearing debris do not contribute to this credit. Calculations can be done by weight or volume, but must be consistent throughout.”*

Credit 3: Materials Reuse : 5% or 10% (1 or 2 pts)

*“Use salvaged, refurbished or reused materials such that the sum of which constitutes at least 5% or 10%, based on cost,, of the total value of materials on the project. Mechanical, electrical and plumbing components and specialty items such as elevators and equipment shall not be included in this calculation. Include only materials permanently installed in the project. Furniture may be included, providing it is included consistently in MR Credit 3: Materials Reuse through MR Credit 7: Certified Wood.”*

Credit 4: Recycled Content: 10% and 20% (1 – 2 pts)

*“Use materials with recycled content such that the sum of post-consumer recycled content plus one-half of the pre-consumer content constitutes at least 10% or 20%, based on cost, of the total value of the materials in the project.*

*The recycled content value of a material assembly shall be determined by weight. The recycled fraction of the assembly is then multiplied by the cost of assembly to determine the recycled content value.... Recycled content shall be defined in accordance with the International Organization for Standardization document, ISO 14021 – Environmental labels and declarations – Self declared environmental claims (type II environmental labeling)…”*

## **Energy and Atmosphere**

Metro Roof Products’ cool metal roof products have excellent thermal performance and can qualify toward improving the energy efficiency of a building’s design. The installation method used for many of the granular coated steel products introduces above-sheathing-ventilation which can significantly reduce heat gain through the roof. Metal roofing is also an ideal platform on which to install photovoltaic systems, wind energy systems or solar thermal systems. In order to receive points in this credit category the LEED® registered building must also demonstrate a percentage increase in energy savings in accordance with ASHRAE standards.

PREREQUISITE 2. Minimum Energy Performance (Required)

*“The project must establish an energy performance rating goal for the facility design using EPA’s Target Finder rating tool. Demonstrate a 10% improvement in the proposed building performance rating compared with the baseline building performance rating. The baseline rating is calculated according to Appendix G of ANSI/ASHRAE/IESNA Standard 90.1-2007 (with errata but without addenda).”*

Credit 1: Optimize Energy Performance (1-19 pts)

*“OPTION 1: Whole Building Energy Simulation: Demonstrate a percentage improvement in the proposed building performance rating compared to the baseline building performance rating. Calculate the baseline building performance according to Appendix G of ANSI/ ASHRAE/IESNA Standard 90.1-2007 (with errata but without addenda) using a computer simulation model for the whole building project. The minimum energy cost savings percentage for each point threshold is as follows:*

<u>New Buildings</u>	<u>Points</u>
12%	1
14%	2
16%	3

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18%	4
20%	5
22%	6
24%	7
26%	8
28%	9
30%	10
32%	11
34%	12
36%	13
38%	14
40%	15
42%	16
44%	17
46%	18
48%	19

**Credit 2: On-Site Renewable Energy (1-7 points)**

*“Use on-site renewable energy systems to offset building energy costs. Calculate project performance by expressing the energy produced by the renewable systems as a percentage of the building’s annual energy cost and use the table below to determine the number of points achieved.”*

<u>% Renewable Energy</u>	<u>Points</u>
1%	1
3%	2
5%	3
7%	4
9%	5
11%	6
13%	7

**Water Efficiency**

Metro Roof Products’ metal roofing products can provide an excellent surface for rainwater harvesting. Integrating a rainwater collection system with the metal roof can qualify toward the following points in this credit category:

**Credit 1: Water Efficient Landscaping (2-4 pts)**

*“Reduce potable water consumption for irrigation by 50% from a calculated mid-summer baseline case. Reductions shall be attributed to any combination of the following items:*

- *Plant species, density and microclimate factor*
- *Irrigation efficiency*
- *Use of captured rainwater*
- *Use of recycled wastewater*
- *Use of water treated and conveyed by a public agency specifically for non-potable uses*

*OR use captured rainwater instead of potable water for all irrigation.*

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Credit 2: Innovative Wastewater Technologies (2 pts)

*Reduce potable water use for building sewage conveyance by 50% through the use of water-conserving fixtures (e.g. water closets, urinals) or non-potable water (e.g. captured rainwater, recycled gray water, on-site municipally treated wastewater)*

*OR*

*Treat 50% of wastewater on-site to tertiary standards. Treated water must be infiltrated or used on-site."*

Credit 3: Water Use Reduction (2-4 pts)

*"Employ strategies that in aggregate use 30% or 40% less water than the water use baseline calculated for the building (not including irrigation). Calculate the baseline according to the commercial and/or residential baselines outlined in the Energy Policy Act of 1992.. Calculations are based on estimated occupant usage and shall include only the following fixtures (as applicable to the building): water closets, urinals, lavatory faucets, showers, kitchen sink faucets and pre-rinse spray valves."*

## Innovation in Design

Credit 1 Innovation in Design (1-5 pts)

In certain areas of a building design, Metro Roof Products' metal roofing products may contribute toward points in this category if they are shown to qualify toward substantially exceeding a LEED® performance credit. Points can also be achieved for innovative performance in areas that are not specifically addressed or defined by LEED®.

## Conclusion

Even though the roof can directly contribute one point in the Sustainable Sites Category for its radiative properties, metal roofing can also qualify toward many other points in a LEED® registered building. The design team made up of architects, facility managers, construction managers, designers and owners need to integrate all products and processes in a whole building approach in their efforts to create a sustainable building. The LEED® program is a tool to achieve this. Metro Roof Products' metal roofing materials and accessories can play a role in any building project achieving LEED® 2009 NC certification.

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