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**Innovation (IN)**

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**Regional Priority (RP)**

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**Innovation (IN)**

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Sustainable design strategies and measures are constantly evolving and improving. New technologies are continually introduced to the marketplace, and up-to-date scientific research influences building design strategies.

The purpose of this LEED category is to recognize projects for innovative building features and sustainable building practices and strategies.

Occasionally, a strategy results in building performance that greatly exceeds what is required in an existing LEED credit. Other strategies may not be addressed by any LEED prerequisite or credit but warrant consideration for their sustainability benefits.

In addition, LEED is most effectively implemented as part of a cohesive team, and this category addresses the role of a LEED Accredited Professional in facilitating that process.

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| Adaptation | | NC | CS | S | R | DC | WDC | HOS | HC |
| Total | | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 |
| Innovation | | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| LEED Accredited Professional | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

**The Innovation (IN) category addresses:**

* Innovation
* Pilot Credits
* Exemplary Performance
* LEED AP with Specialty in a Principal Role on the Project Team

**Innovation**

Achieve significant, measurable environmental performance using a strategy not addressed in the LEED green building rating system.

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Points for Innovation can also be earned by achieving selected credits from other LEED rating systems.

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**Innovation Catalog**

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**Pilot Credits**

USGBC’s LEED Pilot Credit Library - <http://www.usgbc.org/pilotcredits>

There are Three Types of Pilot Credits:

1. Open Alternative Compliance Path (ACP) Pilot Credits
2. Open Pilot Credits
3. Closed Pilot Credits

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**Exemplary Performance**

Achieve exemplary performance in an existing LEED v4 prerequisite or credit that allows exemplary performance, as specified in the LEED Reference Guide, v4 edition.

An exemplary performance point is typically earned for achieving double the credit requirements or the next incremental percentage threshold.

**Exemplary Performance Credits:**

IP Credit: Integrative Process

LT Credit: High-Priority Site and Equitable Development

LT Credit: Reduced Parking Footprint

SS Credit: Protect or Restore Habitat

WE Credit: Indoor Water Use Reduction

EA Credit: Optimize Energy Performance

EA Credit: Grid Harmonization

EA Credit: Renewable Energy

MR Credit: Building Product Disclosure and Optimization – Environmental Product Declarations

MR Credit: Building Product Disclosure and Optimization – Sourcing of Raw Materials

MR Credit: Building Product Disclosure and Optimization – Material Ingredients

MR Credit: Construction and Demolition Waste Management

EQ Credit: Low-Emitting Materials

EQ CREDIT: Indoor Air Quality Assessment

EQ Credit: Daylight

EQ Credit: Acoustic Performance

**Examples**

**Next Incremental Percentage Threshold Double the Credit Requirement**

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| **WE Credit: Indoor Water Use Reduction**  A table with text and numbers  Description automatically generated  **Exemplary Performance**  Achieve 55% savings. | **SS Credit: Protect or Restore Habitat**  Preserve and protect from all development and construction activity 40% of the greenfield area on the site (if such areas exist).  AND  **Option 1. On-Site Restoration**  Using native or adapted vegetation, restore 25% (including the building footprint) of all portions of the site identified as previously disturbed. Vegetated roof surfaces may be included if the plants are native or adapted and provide habitat.  **Exemplary Performance**  Option 1. Double the 25% restoration requirement (restore at least 50%).  Option 2. Double the financial donation requirement (provide at least $0.40 per square foot or $4.00 per square meter). |

**LEED Accredited Professional**

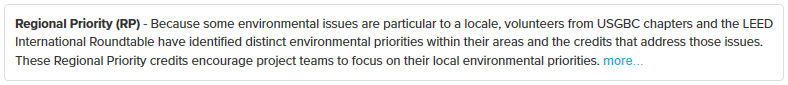
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**Regional Priority (RP)**

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| Adaptation | | NC | CS | S | R | DC | WDC | HOS | HC |
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| Regional Priority | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
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**Regional Priority Credit Lookup**

<https://www.usgbc.org/rpc>

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