

## environmental certifications



We are committed to making that happen by providing products that advance environmental and human health, social responsibility and economic prosperity. We demonstrate this environmental leadership by complying with applicable environmental laws, regulations, and obligations and seeking opportunities to minimize our environmental footprint. As a result Steelcase products have been recognized and accredited by several environmental certifications, including those below. For additional information on these certifications, contact your local Steelcase dealer or sales representative.

### BIFMA e3 standard

The Business and Institutional Furniture Manufacturers Association developed this sustainability standard to distinguish environmentally preferable business and institutional furniture. level™ – the program that certifies a product conforms to the BIFMA e3 sustainability standard has multiple conformance levels, i.e. levels 1, 2, or 3 with level™ 3 being the highest. Manufacturers can only achieve level™ certification from a participating third party, such as SCS, which meets rigorous level™ criteria for certification bodies and assesses products against the specified BIFMA standard.

### C2C

The Cradle to Cradle Product Certification was developed by MBDC (McDonough Braungart Design Chemistry), a leading design process firm. The C2C process places major emphasis on the human and ecological health impacts of a material's ingredients, and focuses on the ability to recycle or safely compost that material.

### SCS Indoor Advantage™ & Indoor Advantage™ Gold

Scientific Certification Systems is an internationally recognized, neutral third-party environmental certification organization that was established in 1984. It certifies products across a broad spectrum of industries including contract furnishings, paint, carpet, and resilient flooring. Its programs offer some of the most stringent testing criteria in industry to meet the ANSI/BIFMA Furniture Emissions Standards (e3), LEED criteria and California 01350.

### FSC

The Forest Stewardship Council® is an independent, non-governmental, not for profit organization established to promote the responsible management of the world's forests. FSC chain of custody tracks FSC certified material through the production process - from the forest to the consumer, including all successive stages of processing, transformation, manufacturing and distribution.

### LEED®

The LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Green Building Rating System is a voluntary, consensus-based national standard for developing high-performance, sustainable buildings created by the U.S. Green Building Council. While many Steelcase products will help contribute to point acquisition, it is important to note that no products can be LEED certified or guarantee the acquisition of LEED points.

### Energy Star

EPA's Energy Star partnership offers a proven energy management strategy that helps in measuring current energy performance, setting goals, tracking savings, and rewarding improvements. EPA provides an innovative energy performance rating system which businesses have already used for more than 62,000 buildings across the country. EPA also recognizes top performing buildings with the Energy Star.