

LEED: A Greener way to build

How Shaw Contract Group carpet contributes to LEED

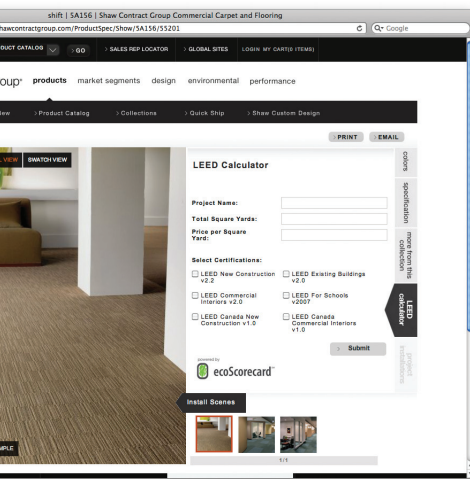
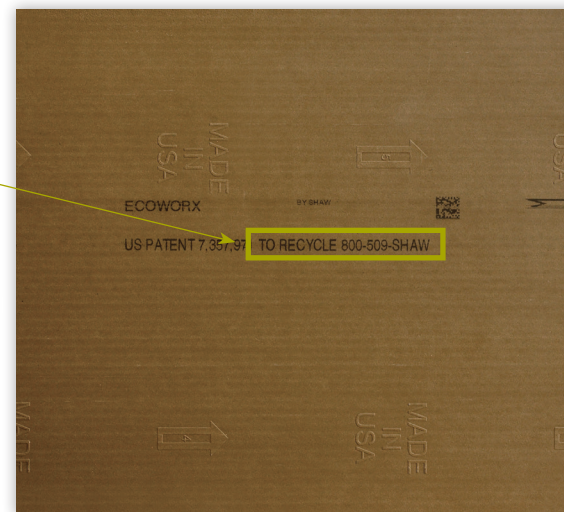
Not only does our carpet contribute to the beauty and functionality of a space, it also contributes to LEED certification. As one component among a list of building materials, Shaw Contract Group sustainable carpet products contribute to several LEED v4 credits including Environmental Product Declarations, sourcing of raw materials, material ingredients, construction and demolition waste management and low emitting materials.

Contribution to LEED credits through the use of Shaw Contract Group product is achieved through Cradle to Cradle Silver certification, NSF-140 certification, recycled content and recyclability. We also have published health product declarations, environmental product declarations and a corporate sustainability report based on GRI guidelines.

Developed by the United States Green Building Council (USGBC), the LEED Rating System is the definitive standard for green building, providing guidelines for designing and building environmentally responsible structures. And while no single product can be considered LEED certified, our carpet is additive to the pursuit of LEED v4 certification for your project.

Environmentally Guaranteed

When any EcoWorx tile or broadloom product has reached the end of its useful life, we want it back. **Just call the 800 number on the back of the carpet** and Shaw Contract Group will pick up and recycle it at no cost to the customer. EcoWorx backing will be taken through an elutriation or dissolution process to facilitate recycling, while Eco Solution Q® nylon will enter the recycling stream via the Evergreen Nylon Recycling Facility.



Online LEED calculator

How much LEED credit are we talking? Shaw Contract Group's online LEED calculator provides accurate information regarding the environmental attributes of Shaw Contract Group products, as well as their contribution to the LEED Rating System. **Log on to www.shawcontractgroup.com** for this useful tool to assist you in your LEED documentation.



LEED Credit

Credit	Shaw Contribution
MR Credit 2 (CI) Interior Life-Cycle Impact Reduction	Option 3: Meeting design for flexibility requirements: Shaw Contract Group carpet tile installed with LokDots are moveable, 100% recyclable and offer guaranteed reclamation and recycling.
MR Credit 3 (CI) MR Credit 2 (NC) Environmental Product Declarations	Option 1: Shaw Contract Group offers an environmental product declaration (EPD) on all carpet tile products constructed of EcoSolution Q nylon and EcoWorx backings. Option 2: All Shaw Contract Group carpet products are NSF-140 certified, demonstrating multi-attribute optimization.
MR Credit 4 (CI) MR Credit 3 (NC) Sourcing of Raw Materials	Option 1: Shaw publishes an annual sustainability report that is third party assured and meets Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) standards. Option 2: Shaw Contract Group products constructed of EcoSolution Q fiber and/or EcoWorx backing contain recycled content (percentage varies by style). Shaw's environmental guarantee for reclamation and recycling qualifies as an extended producer program, offering additional contribution for EcoWorx products.
MR Credit 5 (CI) MR Credit 4 (NC) Material Ingredients	Option 1: Shaw Contract Group products constructed of EcoSolution Q fiber and EcoWorx, Ultraloc, or Classicbac backings are Cradle to Cradle Silver certified. Additionally, a Health Product Declaration (HPD) is published for Shaw Contract Group products constructed of EcoSolution Q and EcoWorx backings.
MR Credit 6 (CI) MR Credit 5 (NC) Construction and Demolition Waste Management	Option 1 or 2: Shaw Contract Group guarantees reclamation and recycling for used EcoWorx products, free of charge.* Additional recycling programs are available for used products on other backing systems.
EQ Credit 2 (CI) EQ Credit 2 (NC) Low Emitting Materials	Shaw Contract Group carpet products and adhesives are Green Label Plus Certified.

*Shaw Environmental Guarantee – *Continental US and Canada:* Shaw will take back 500 yards or greater of EcoWorx material at no cost to you. *Alaska, Hawaii and Mexico:* Shaw will take back 5,000 yards or greater of EcoWorx material at no cost to you. *International:* Shaw will take back 5,000 yards or greater of EcoWorx material from any international port at no cost to you.