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- Download the Green Star – Communities rating tool

Resources

www.gbca.org.au/education

The new Green Star Accredited Professional (Communities) qualification will provide you with practical education and support, and help you to demonstrate your depth of knowledge in sustainable communities.

Accreditation



How do you achieve a Green Star – Communities rating?

Process

Step 1: Register your project

Step 2: Prepare your submission

Step 3: Round 1 Assessment

Step 4: Round 2 Assessment

Step 5: Green Star – Communities certification

Step 6: Recertification

When you achieve certification, your project will gain a licence to use the Green Star – Communities certification trade mark for up to five years. To retain your certification, your project must be recertified within five years of its initial certification. For more information, download our Submission Guideline: greenstarcommunities.org.au

Green Star – Communities

The Green Star – Communities PILOT rating tool has been developed by the Green Building Council of Australia (GBCA), in close collaboration with industry and all tiers of government.

This national, holistic, voluntary rating tool defines best practice benchmarks across five sustainability categories for the planning, design and delivery of sustainable communities.

The Green Star – Communities rating tool will support:







- **federal government** to deliver better policy outcomes
- **state governments** with planning and approval of significant projects
- **local governments** with a framework for greater sustainable development outcomes
- **developers** with more efficient processes
- **financiers** with a framework for sustainable investment
- **consumers** to make informed decisions about where they choose to live and work.



Pocket guide

Total possible points **110**

Categories

| | | |
|---|---------------------|----|
|  | Governance | 21 |
|  | Design | 11 |
|  | Liveability | 23 |
|  | Economic Prosperity | 19 |
|  | Environment | 26 |
|  | Innovation | 10 |

4 Star rating: 45+ points

5 Star rating: 60+ points

6 Star rating: 75+ points




Principal Sponsor


Places for People




Governance – 21 points

| | | |
|--|---------------------------------|---|
|  | Gov-1 Accredited Professional | 1 |
| | Gov-2 Corporate Responsibility | 3 |
| | Gov-3 Sustainability Awareness | 3 |
| | Gov-4 Engagement | 6 |
| | Gov-5 Operational Governance | 2 |
| | Gov-6 Adaptation and Resilience | 4 |
| | Gov-7 Environmental Management | 2 |


Design – 11 points

| | | |
|--|---------------------------------|---|
|  | Des-1 Site Selection | 2 |
| | Des-2 Site and Context Analysis | 2 |
| | Des-3 Site Planning and Layout | 3 |
| | Des-4 Urban Design | 4 |


Liveability – 23 points

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|--|--------------------------------------|---|
|  | Liv-1 Access to Amenities | 2 |
| | Liv-2 Community Development | 5 |
| | Liv-3 Healthy and Active Living | 5 |
| | Liv-4 Access to Fresh Food | 2 |
| | Liv-5 Safe Places | 2 |
| | Liv-6 Culture, Heritage and Identity | 3 |
| | Liv-7 Accessibility and Adaptability | 4 |

Economic Prosperity – 19 points

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|--|---|---|
|  | Econ-1 Employment and Economic Resilience | 2 |
| | Econ-2 Education and Skills Development | 2 |
| | Econ-3 Return on Investment | 2 |
| | Econ-4 Community Investment | 4 |
| | Econ-5 Affordability | 4 |
| | Econ-6 Incentive Programs | 2 |
| | Econ-7 Digital Economy | 2 |
| | Econ-8 Peak Electricity Demand | 1 |

Environment – 26 points

| | | |
|---|---------------------------------|-------------|
|  | Env-1 Site Sensitivity | Conditional |
| | Env-2 Ecological Enhancement | 2 |
| | Env-3 Heat Island Effect | 1 |
| | Env-4 Light Pollution | 1 |
| | Env-5 Greenhouse Gas Emissions | 6 |
| | Env-6 Green Buildings | 4 |
| | Env-7 Potable Water Consumption | 2 |
| | Env-8 Stormwater | 3 |
| | Env-9 Materials | 2 |
| | Env-10 Waste Management | 2 |
| | Env-11 Transport | 3 |

Innovation – 10 points



Eligibility Requirements Summary

The project must:

- contain a minimum of four buildings of any building structure type (Class 1–9) in accordance with the Building Code of Australia
- feature a clearly distinct project boundary and a plan of development with an 'owner' of the plan or planning process
- achieve a minimum of 15%, 25% or 35% of all points in each of the five categories if seeking a 4, 5 or 6 Star Green Star rating respectively
- achieve a minimum total of 45 points
- achieve re-certification within five years of achieving the initial certification or any subsequent re-certification.

Compliance requirements have been developed to harmonise with typical planning and approval processes and documentation requirements.



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