LEED 2009® (LEED-NC VERSION 2.2 AND 3.0)

As new versions of LEED are released, previous versions are retired or "sunset" — keeping the newest projects paired with the latest and best version of the rating system. With the introduction of LEED v4, a project aimed for certification under the LEED 2009 rating system must be registered by October 31, 2016 and the deadline for completing the project is June 30, 2021.

LEED 2009 Credit MR 2 (Construction Waste Management) — up to 2 points

Credits are awarded based on recycling and recovery rates for construction products. Steel is 100% recyclable, and because it plays a key role in diverting construction debris from the waste stream is eligible for LEED Credits MR 2.1 and 2.2. The specific contribution will vary by project and must be determined by the contractor.

LEED 2009 Credit MR 4 (Recycled Content) — up to 2 points

Cold-formed steel framing contains a high percentage of recycled content, earning one LEED credits for recycled content that constitutes 10% of the total value of construction materials (4.1) and a second point when recycled content is 20% of the total cost.

An additional point for Innovation in Design (ID) credit is available here if project's overall recycled content exceeds 30% (See below: LEED 2009 Credit ID: Innovation in Design)

LEED 2009 Credit MR 5 (Regional Materials) — up to 2 points

LEED Credit MR 5 requires the jobsite to be within a 500 mile radius of the manufacturing facility and the location where raw materials are extracted. The national network of SFIA Manufacturer members makes it likely that they will be able to qualify for this credit within the market areas that the individual companies service.

LEED 2009 Credit ID: Innovation in Design —1 point

An additional credit is available when the overall recycled content used in a project exceeds 30%. The minimum default rate for recycled content reported by the Steel Recycling Institute is 34.9%, but your SFIA member manufacturer is likely to produce or have available cold-formed steel framing with even higher content, and can provide you with the necessary documentation when you order materials.

More information about Recycled Content is available at this location: http://goo.gl/NIszN3

If you would like to learn more about how cold-formed steel framing meets the tests for resilience, a publication is available at this location: http://goo.gl/nvfxHP