

# LEED® Credits: New Construction v2.2 & v3

## Life®

CI v2 & v3 ○

EB v2 ○

EB v3 ○

NC v2.2 & v3 ●

Life® may contribute to achieving the following LEED Credits.

Credit	Intent	Life®
<b>CORE AREAS</b>		
<b>MR Credit 3.1 and 3.2</b> Materials Reuse 5%, 10%	To reuse building materials and products to reduce demand for virgin materials and reduce waste, thereby lessening impacts associated with the extraction and processing of virgin resources.	▶ Life is designed for durability with a 10 year warranty and can be reused on many building projects.
<b>MR Credit 4.1 and 4.2</b> Recycled Content 10%, 20% (Post-consumer + 1/2 post-industrial)	To increase demand for building products that incorporate recycled content materials, thereby reducing impacts resulting from extraction and processing of virgin materials.	▶ The typical Life chair with plastic base has 55% recycled content (38% post-consumer, 17% post-industrial). The typical Life chair with aluminum base has 60% recycled content (51% post-consumer, 9% post-industrial)
<b>MR Credit 5</b> Regional Materials (10%, 20% manufactured within 500 miles)	To increase demand for building materials and products that are extracted and manufactured within the region, thereby supporting the use of indigenous resources and reducing the environmental impacts resulting from transportation.	▶ Life may contribute to this credit depending on the project location. The chair is manufactured in East Greenville, Penn.
<b>INNOVATION IN DESIGN</b>		
<b>ID Credit 1</b>	To provide design teams and projects the opportunity to achieve exceptional performance above the requirements set by the LEED Green Building Rating System and/or innovative performance in Green Building categories not specifically addressed by the LEED Green Building Rating System.	
<b>SMaRT® Certification</b>	SMaRT Certification requires the completion of a Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) process, which ensures that all key materials and processes are captured and converted into environmental impacts.	▶ Life is SMaRT Sustainable Gold certified. SMaRT is a transparent, quantified sustainable product standard that measures environmental impacts throughout the global supply chain. SMaRT Sustainable Product Standards were approved on May 4, 2007, as part of the LEED Green Building Rating System based on their compliance with 24 comprehensive sustainable product certification criteria. Certificates are available for download at <a href="http://mts.sustainableproducts.com">http://mts.sustainableproducts.com</a>
<b>Low Emitting Materials</b> Furniture and Furnishings (LEED CI v2/v3 IEQc4.5)	To reduce the use of furniture assemblies that may release indoor air contaminants that are odorous or potentially irritating and might be deleterious to installer and occupant health, comfort and well-being.	▶ Life is GREENGUARD Indoor Air Quality Certified® and GREENGUARD Children & Schools <sup>SM</sup> certified. Certificates are available for download at <a href="http://www.greenguard.org">www.greenguard.org</a>

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<b>Sustainable Cleaning Products and Materials</b> (LEED EB v2 IEQc3.4)  <b>Sustainable Cleaning Products and Materials</b> (LEED EB v3 IEQc3.4-3.6)	To reduce the exposure of building occupants and maintenance personnel to potentially hazardous chemical, biological and particular contaminants which adversely affect air quality, human health, building finishes, building systems, and the environment.	▶ Life is designed to be cleaned with low environmental impact cleaning fluids when specified with fabrics with cleaning codes W or W-S. Visit <a href="http://www.knoll.com/techdoc/kt_cleaning.pdf">www.knoll.com/techdoc/kt_cleaning.pdf</a>
<b>SUPPLEMENTARY AREAS</b>		
<b>MR Credit 2.1 and 2.2</b> Construction Waste Management	To divert 50–75% construction and demolition debris from disposal in landfills and incineration facilities. Redirect recyclable recovered resources back to the manufacturing process and reusable materials to appropriate sites.	▶ While this credit is not specific to products, Life is shipped assembled with a polyethylene bag and a cardboard sleeve. These materials are recyclable in many markets, which can reduce landfill disposal.

Life is light, intuitive, flexible and environmental.

**Clean Manufacturing Technologies**

- ▶ No ozone-destroying chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs)
- ▶ Hot melt adhesive process is 99% VOC-free
- ▶ Returnable packaging is used for chair component parts
- ▶ Manufactured in a LEED® Gold, ISO 14001 certified facility
- ▶ 100% of electricity used at the site is offset by wind energy

**Materials**

- ▶ Constructed using minimal materials
- ▶ Constructed with 55% (plastic base version) to 60% (aluminum base version) recycled materials
- ▶ 58% (plastic base) to 70% (aluminum base) of parts are readily recyclable
- ▶ Available with 20+ environmental upholstery fabrics
- ▶ Integrally colored polymer and burnished aluminum parts require no coating, minimizing materials and eliminating VOCs
- ▶ No polyvinyl chloride (PVC)