# LEED® Credits: New Construction v2.2 & v3.0 Storage

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Knoll filing and storage products maximize organizational options without compromising valuable workspace. From documents and binders to coats and office supplies—whatever requires organizing—Knoll Storage offers solutions for real-world needs. Knoll Storage is GREENGUARD Indoor Air Quality Certified<sup>®</sup>.

#### **Clean Manufacturing Technologies**

- Powder coating on metal virtually VOC-free.
- > SMaRT<sup>®</sup> Sustainable Product Certification (Calibre).

#### Materials

- Recycled content steel.
- Steel components recyclable.
- FSC-certified standard for laminate and North American veneer surfaces.

#### The sustainable design of Knoll Storage products can help customers achieve the following New Construction LEED Credits:

### Core Areas

#### MR Credit 3.1 and 3.2 - Materials Reuse 5%, 10%

**Intent:** Reuse building materials and products in order to reduce demand for virgin materials and to reduce waste. Knoll storage product is designed to be refurbished for a second life, and new product is designed to be integrated with existing furniture systems.

#### MR Credit 4.1 and 4.2 - Recycled Content

**Intent:** Increase demand for building products that incorporate recycled material, reducing impacts resulting from extraction and processing of virgin materials.

The standard Knoll storage has a combination of post-consumer and ½ post-industrial recycled content that is greater than 20%.

#### MR Credit 5.1 and 5.2 - Regional Materials

**Intent:** Increase the demand for building materials and products that are extracted and manufactured within the region.

• Help with this point will depend on project location.

#### MR Credit 7.0 - Certified Wood

**Intent:** Encourage environmentally responsible forest management.

 The wood materials used to construct Knoll Storage are FSC chain-of-custody-certified when using laminate or North American veneer surfaces.

### Supplementary Areas

#### MR Credit 2.1 and 2.2 - Construction Waste Management

**Intent:** Divert 50–75% construction, demolition and landclearing debris from disposal in landfills and incinerators. Redirect recyclable recovered resources back to the manufacturing process. Redirect reusable materials to appropriate sites.

Knoll packing materials include corrugated cardboard, expanded polystyrene foam and wood pallets. These materials are recyclable in many markets, which can reduce landfill disposal.

#### MR Credit 6.0 - Rapidly Renewable Materials

**Intent:** Reduce the use of depletion of finite raw materials and long cycle renewable materials by replacing them with rapidly renewable materials.

 Bamboo veneer can be selected to construct common worksurfaces.

#### EQ Credit 8.1 and 8.2 - Daylight and Views

**Intent:** Provide for the occupants a connection between indoor spaces and the outdoors through the instruction of daylight and views into the regularly occupied area of the tenant space.

 Knoll storage can be specified to meet the 42"-high horizon requirement.

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### Innovation in Design

#### ID Credit 1.1 - 1.4

**Intent:** To provide building operation, design teams and projects the opportunity to be awarded points for exceptional performance above the requirements set by the LEED–NC Rating System and/or innovative performance in Green Building categories not specifically addressed by LEED–NC Rating System.

## **Low Emitting Materials** – Systems Furniture & Seating (LEED Cl v2/v3 EQc4.5)

**Intent:** 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.

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#### SMaRT<sup>®</sup> Certification, Calibre Storage

Knoll currently has several products with SMaRT Certification and others in process. Template, Calibre Storage, Life, Chadwick, Moment and Generation by Knoll have all been SMaRT certified and can be used for this credit. Unlike other certification programs, SMaRT is a transparent, quantified sustainable product standard that measures environmental impacts throughout the global supply chain. SMaRT (Sustainable Materials Rating Technology) Sustainable Product Standards were approved on May 4th, 2007 as part of the LEED Green Building Rating System based on their compliance with 24 comprehensive sustainable product certification criteria. http://mts.sustainableproducts.com

#### 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.

- GREENGUARD for Children and Schools Product Certification.
- > No polyvinyl chloride (PVC) or other toxic chemicals.

#### Comprehensive Ergonomic Policy + Program

The USGBC has approved the implementation of a comprehensive ergonomic program as an innovation credit. Knoll products, such as task seating, monitor arms and keyboard trays, can contribute to this point along with an ergonomic training program for employees, which Knoll can provide.

## Sustainable Cleaning Products and Materials (LEED EB v2 MRc4)

## Sustainable Cleaning Products and Materials (LEED EB v3 EQc3.4-3.6)

Knoll products are designed to be cleaned with low environmental impact cleaning fluids.

