

Building Research Establishment Environmental Assessment Methodology (BREEAM) is a voluntary standard that defines high performance green buildings which are healthier, more environmentally responsible and more profitable structures. Using independent assessors, BREEAM examines criteria covering a range of issues in sections that evaluate: management processes, health and wellbeing, energy, transport, water, materials, waste, land use and ecology, pollution and innovation.

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BREEAM Category	BREEAM Definition	Urbanscape Contribution
 <b>Hea 03</b> Thermal comfort	To ensure through design that appropriate thermal comfort levels are achieved and controls are selected to maintain a thermally comfortable environment.	1 credit
 <b>Hea 05a/b</b> Acoustic performance	To insure the building's acoustic performance, including internal sound insulation, meets the appropriate standards for its purpose.	1 credit
 <b>Ene 01</b> Energy efficiency all buildings	To encourage buildings that minimise their operational energy consumption through good design.	15 credits
 <b>Ene 05</b> Energy efficiency cold storage	To encourage the installation of energy efficient refrigeration systems. High levels of insulation can minimise heat loads.	3 credits
 <b>Wat 04</b> Water efficient equipment	To reduce water consumption by encouraging specification of water efficient equipment.	1 credit
 <b>Mat 04</b> Insulation all buildings	At least 80% (by volume) of the thermal insulation used in the assessed building elements must be responsibly sourced.	1 credit
 <b>Wst 01</b> Construction waste management	To promote resource efficiency via the effective and appropriate management of construction waste.	3 credits
 <b>LE 04</b> Enhancing site ecology	To recognize and encourage actions taken to maintain and enhance the ecological value of the site as a result of development.	3 credits
 <b>Pol 03</b> Surface water run-off	To avoid, reduce and delay the discharge of rainfall to public sewers and watercourses, minimizing the risk of flooding.	5 credits
 <b>Pol 05</b> Noise attenuation	To reduce the likelihood of noise, arising from fixed installations on the new development, affecting nearby noise-sensitive buildings.	1 credit