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(MAT2) Responsible Sourcing of Materials - Basic Building Elements



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Technical Guide November 2010 Criteria

- 6 available credits
- Credits worth 0.30% points each
- Mandatory Element: No

Aim: To promote the specification of responsibly sourced materials for the basic building elements.

Assessment Criteria:

Criteria

Where 80% of the *assessed materials* in the following *Building Elements* are responsibly sourced:

- a) Frame
- b) Ground floor
- c) Upper floors (including separating floors)
- d) Roof
- e) External walls
- f) Internal walls (including separating walls)
- g) Foundation/substructure (excluding sub-base materials)
- h) Staircase

Note: These criteria are assessed at the building envelope level.

*1 see table Cat 3.3 for credit rewards structure



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Technical Guide May 2009 Criteria

- 6 available credits
- Credits worth 0.30% points each
- Mandatory Element: No

Aim: To recognise and encourage the specification of responsibly sourced materials for the basic building elements.

Assessment Criteria: Points are awarded where materials used in key building elements are responsibly sourced according to the following criteria:

Criteria

Where 80% of the *assessed materials* in the following *Building Elements* are responsibly sourced:

- a) Frame
- b) Ground floor
- c) Upper floors (including separating floors)
- d) Roof
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- f) Internal walls (including separating walls)
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- h) Staircase

Additionally, 100% of any timber in these elements must be legally sourced

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[Frame](#)



[Ground Floor](#)

[Upper Floors \(including separating floors\)](#)

[Roof](#)

[External Walls](#)



[Internal Walls \(including separating walls\)](#)

[Foundation/Substructure \(excluding sub-base materials\)](#)

[Staircase](#)

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