

ROCK MINERAL WOOL

LEEDv4.1 (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) is a voluntary standard that defines high performance green buildings which are healthier, more environmentally responsible, and more profitable structures. Credits for certification can be earned in various categories, each with a unique focus on sustainable design: sustainable sites, water efficiency, energy and atmosphere, materials and resources, indoor environmental quality, innovation and design process.

KNAUF INSULATION products can put you on the right track for the highest result into the certification!

LEED - Credit Category code	Definition	Knauf Insulation Products contribution	Contributes towards
Energy and Atmosphere (EA) Optimize Energy Performance	To achieve increasing levels of performance beyond the prerequisite standard to reduce environmental and economic harms associated with excessive energy use.	Rock Mineral Wool products help reducing energy demand through very high insulation efficiency (building envelop, partition walls, HVAC equipment, floors and ceilings).	18 points
Materials and Resources (MR) Building Product Disclosure and Optimization – Environmental Product Declarations	To encourage the use of products where Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) is available and have environmentally, economically and socially preferable LCA. To reward project including products with verified LCA.	Third party verified Environmental Product Declarations (EPDs) are available on line for Rock Mineral Wool products¹. ECO EPD® THE NITERRALIONAL EQU'SYSTEM	2 points
Materials and	To reward project including products	Rock Mineral Wool products,	2 points

Resources (MR) **Building Product** Disclosure and Optimization -Sourcing of Raw Materials

To reward project including products verified to be extracted or sourced in a responsible manner

Rock Mineral Wool products, (ex: from Nová Baña plant in Slovakia) are manufactured with up to 30% of recycled content² (pre-consumer and postconsumer waste).

https://www.knaufinsulation.com/download-epd-rock-mineral-wool?environmental_product_declaration=72 https://ibu-epd.com/; https://www.environdec.com/EPD-Search/?query=knauf

² See annex 1



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Materials and Resources (MR) Building Product Disclosure and Optimization – Material Ingredients	To reward project for which the products chemical ingredients are inventoried	Rock Mineral Wool products contains no ingredients listed on the REACH Authorization list, Restriction list or Substances of Very High Concern Candidate list ³ .	1 point
Indoor Environmental Quality (EQ) Acoustic Performance	To provide workspaces and classrooms that promote occupants' well-being, productivity, and communications through effective acoustic design.	Rock Mineral Wool products have high performance acoustic properties. Products reduce HVAC background noise levels, increase sound insulation of building envelope, partitions, ceilings and aid in controlling reverberation time ⁴ .	1 point
Indoor Environmental Quality (EQ) Thermal Comfort	To promote occupants productivity, comfort, and well-being by providing quality thermal comfort.	Insulation is a design alternative strategy. Heat radiation and airconditioning will be minimized which will have positive comfortability feel and increase productivity for workers.	1 point

³ Compliance letter statement to REACH can be requested for dedicated product's manufacturing plants

⁴ See annex 2



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Annex 1: Materials and Resources: Sourcing of Raw Materials

Here below additional detailed information⁵ about pre-consumer waste (reintroduction of manufacturing scrap from another external factory) and post-consumer waste (produced by the end consumer) utilized in the raw materials batch for the manufacturing of the rock mineral wool.

In LEED, total recycled content is the sum of 100% post-consumer recycled content plus 50% of the preconsumer recycled content.

NB: The Rock Mineral Wool process is recycling a lot of its own manufacturing line waste but this can not be taken into account for this calculation.

	Nová Baña (Slovakia)	Skofja Loka (Slovenia)	St Egidien (Germany)	Surdulica (Serbia)	Queensferry (UK)
%pre-consumer waste content (slags)	29%	-	6%	2%	32%
% post-consumer waste content (construction sites)	-	6%	-	-	-
Total recycled content: 50% pre-consumer + 100% post-consumer	15%	6%	3%	1%	16%
LEED MR 4			contributes towards 2 points		

Recycled content claims for products must conform to the definition ISO 14021-1999.

<u>Pre-consumer waste</u>: waste comes from process waste that is used to make a different product. This definition does not include in-house industrial scrap or trimmings, which are normally fed back into the same manufacturing process.

<u>Post-consumer waste</u>: waste which comes from curbside recycling programs (glass, plastic, paper, ect). Other postconsumer feedstock is generated when construction and demolition debris is recycled. To be a feedstock, the raw materials must have served a useful purpose in the consumer market before being used again.

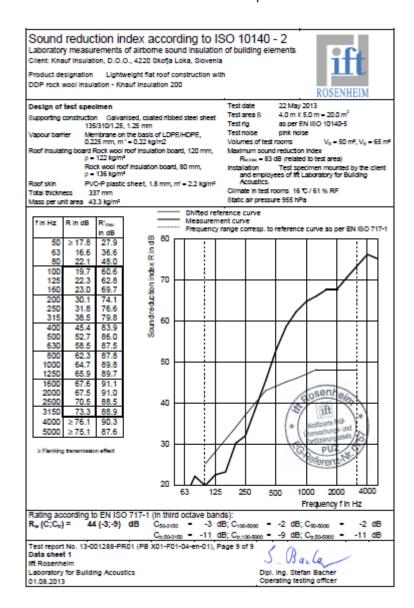
⁵ Data 2020



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Annex 2: Sound transmission and sound absorption example

STC_c in North America is the composite Sound Transmission Class and is equivalent to R_w Sound Reduction Index in Europe. α coefficient is the coefficient for sound absorption.





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