Green Globes for Existing Buildings 2021 Program Overview

Improving the sustainability of existing buildings is critical to forging a better built environment. Green Globes for Existing Buildings (EB) 2021 is a comprehensive three-in-one benchmarking and certification program, evaluating the environmental sustainability, health and wellness, and resilience of an individual building or entire portfolio. This program was developed using applicable content from the published ANSI/GBI 01-2019: Green Globes Assessment Protocol for Commercial Buildings (Green Globes NC 2019). The Green Globes assessment process helps project teams establish a baseline and guides improvements that monitor and enhance sustainability throughout the building’s service life.

Green Globes certified buildings receive full credit under GRESB as a Tier 1 certification.

GRESB is the global benchmarking system used by portfolio owners for measuring and ranking themselves versus peers on environmental, social and governance key performance indicators.

Green Globes for EB 21 Program Benefits

- The Green Globes process and criteria create a roadmap, which empowers innovative thinking at every decision point in a building’s life cycle.
- Flexibility features including 1,000 total points, not-applicable provision, and weighted criteria allow all commercial and multi-family building types to certify with Green Globes.
- Project teams work with third-party Green Globes Assessors, sustainability and building experts, who are highly accessible to ensure a supported and time-effective certification process.
- The interactive and user-friendly Green Globes software allows project teams to import data and information and monitor performance for individual buildings and entire portfolios.
- Green Globes EB 2021 uses applicable content from ANSI/GBI 01-2019, as well as dozens of other ASHRAE, ANSI and other consensus standards.

NEARLY 500 MILLION SQUARE FEET CERTIFIED THROUGH GBI’S GREEN GLOBES

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Criteria evaluated within the Green Globes EB 2021 programsupport environmental, social, and governance (ESG) goals and corporate sustainability reporting (CSR). The questionnaire, delivered on a user-friendly software platform, prompts users to think critically about their projects and can be used independently to track progress or as part of an assessment in pursuit of Green Globes certification. Users are encouraged to import energy, water, and waste data to establish baselines, measure progress, and compare performance.

**ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AREAS**
**TOTAL 1000 POINTS**

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MATERIALS
IEQ
ESG
SITE
WATER
ENERGY

IEQ 20.5%
ESG 10.5%
SITE 9.5%
WATER 18.5%
ENERGY 31%
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“It felt like Green Globes was on the Incyte team to help us. Our assessor was attentive to all our questions, provided feedback and allowed us [to tell] him our story of the building. And when he challenged us on several topics, we worked together to find the right improvements for our project. It was really good to have his expertise and suggestions.

Green Globes helped solidify that what we do and how we do it has a positive reflection not only on our internal team members and employees, but also outward to the community and our stakeholders.”

- Taylor McCracken, Facilities Lead at Incyte

**STEPS TO GREEN GLOBES CERTIFICATION**

1. Create a GBI account and request an assessment quote
2. Purchase the assessment and complete the Green Globes EB online questionnaire
3. Work with an assessor who will complete the third-party, onsite assessment
4. Receive the final report and rating after review by GBI
5. Achieve Green Globes EB certification, order recognition items, and complete project profile