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Distribution: Companies with valid SGBP certificates for Liquid Applied Waterproofing and Pre-Formed Waterproofing products.

REVISION OF CERTIFICATION CRITERIA FOR LIQUID APPLIED WATERPROOFING AND PRE-FORMED WATERPROOFING PRODUCTS

Background

1 This circular serves to inform the industry of updates to the certification criteria for Liquid Applied Waterproofing and Pre-Formed Waterproofing products under the Singapore Green Building Product (SGBP) certification scheme. It also provides an overview of the changes, while the full criteria will be made available upon submission of applications via the SGBC Online portal.

Overview of Changes

Changes applicable to Liquid Applied Waterproofing category only

2 The ***Air Emission Performance*** requirement for products under the Liquid Applied Waterproofing category will be moved from Section B to Section A, adopting the following limits: TVOC $\leq 1.0 \text{ mg/m}^3$ and Formaldehyde $\leq 0.1 \text{ mg/m}^3$.

Changes applicable to Liquid Applied Waterproofing and Pre-Formed Waterproofing categories

3 The ***Resistance to Weather/Chemical Degradation*** requirement will be replaced by the ***Performance Testing Based on Intended Application*** requirement. Applicants would be required to provide a test report from an accredited laboratory demonstrating that the product meets performance standards relevant to its intended waterproofing application, such as water penetration, water vapour permeability or hydrostatic pressure.

4 The **Global Warming Potential** requirement will be moved from Section C to Section B. Applicants will be required to provide evidence in the form of Product Carbon Footprint (PCF) or Environmental Product Declaration (EPD) demonstrating the product's Global Warming Potential (GWP) for the Product Stage (Cradle to Gate – PCF) or (Modules A1 to A3 – EPD) for one functional unit (m²) of product.

5 The **Environmental Impact Report** requirement will be replaced by the **Energy Management System of Manufacturing Plant** requirement. Applicants can meet this requirement by providing evidence of certification to ISO 50001.

6 Under the **Corporate Green Initiative – (i) Carbon Footprint Course** and **(ii) Carbon Footprint Report** requirements will be replaced by the **(i) Corporate Governance – Diversity, Equity and Inclusion** and **(ii) Corporate Responsibility - Supporting Local Community** requirements. Applicants can meet these requirements by providing relevant documents that show the company's efforts to promote Diversity, Equity and Inclusion practices and their contributions to the local community.

7 The **Thermal Insulation** requirement will be removed as waterproofing systems are intended to resist water ingress rather than to provide thermal resistance or insulation.

Implementation Timeline

8 The revised criteria will take effect from **15th November 2026** and applies to all application submitted on or after this date.

9 Existing SGBP certificates for all Liquid Applied Waterproofing and Pre-Formed Waterproofing products will remain valid until their expiry date.

For Clarification

We would appreciate if you could convey the contents of this circular to relevant members of your organisation. For any queries concerning this circular, please do not hesitate to contact SGBC at certification@sgbc.sg

Appendix: Summary of Changes

Section	Requirement	Liquid Applied Waterproofing category	Pre-Formed Waterproofing category
A	Air Emission Performance	<i>Requirement will adopt the following limits: TVOC ≤ 1.0 mg/ m3 and Formaldehyde ≤ 0.1 mg/m3. (moved from Section B to Section A)</i>	-
	Performance Testing Based on Intended Application	<i>This requirement has been rephrased from the Resistance to Weather/Chemical Degradation requirement. Applicants can meet this requirement by providing a test report from an accredited laboratory demonstrating that the product meets performance standards relevant to its intended waterproofing application.</i>	
B	Global Warming Potential	<i>Products seeking certification will be required to provide evidence in the form of Product Carbon Footprint (PCF) or Environmental Product Declaration (EPD) demonstrating the product's Global Warming Potential (GWP) for the Product Stage (Cradle to Gate – PCF) or (Modules A1 to A3 – EPD) for one functional unit (m²) of product. (moved from Section C to Section B)</i>	
C	Energy Management System of Manufacturing Plant	<i>This requirement will replace Environmental Impact Report to avoid double scoring, as the Global Warming Potential requirement already includes EPD-based assessments. Applicants can meet this requirement by providing evidence of certification to ISO 50001.</i>	
	Corporate Governance – Diversity, Equity and Inclusion	<i>This is a new Requirement that will replace Corporate Green Initiative – Carbon Footprint Course. Applicants can meet this requirement by providing relevant documents that show the company's efforts to promote Diversity, Equity and Inclusion practices.</i>	
	Corporate Responsibility – Supporting Local Community	<i>This is a new Requirement that will replace Corporate Green Initiative – Carbon Footprint Report. Applicants can meet this requirement by providing relevant documents that show the company's contributions to the local community.</i>	
	Thermal Insulation	<i>Removed</i>	