



VOC Content

LEED is a rating system developed by the US Green Building Council (USGBC) as a standard for high performance sustainable buildings created to define green building through a standard of measurement and raise consumer awareness of green building benefits.

One of the categories in the rating system is Indoor Environmental Quality (IEQ). IEQ Credits 4.1 - 4.6 are related the use of low-emitting building materials. According to the USGBC, the intent of credits 4.1 – 4.6 is "To reduce the quantity of indoor air contaminants that are odorous, irritating and/or harmful to the comfort and well-being of installers and occupants". The USGBC uses a building product's volatile organic compound (VOC) content as the measure to receive the points for the credits.

Viracon is often asked to provide VOC information related to our products in order to help achieve IEQ Credit 4.1 Low-emitting materials – adhesives and sealants or IEQ Credit 4.2 Low emitting materials – paints and coatings.

It is important to understand, the USGBC is specifically asking for this information for adhesives, sealants, paints and coatings that are "used on the interior of the building (i.e., inside of the weatherproofing system and applied on-site)".

Since Viracon's products are not inside of the weatherproofing and Viracon does not apply any products on-site, LEED IEQ Credit 4.1 and IEQ Credit 4.2 do not apply to our products.

This credit, however may apply to the adhesives and sealants used by the sub-contractor who installs our glazing on-site. The sub-contractor should be able to supply VOC Content for the adhesives, sealants, paints or any coatings they are using on-site.