SELECT Hinges Qualify for LEED® Certification Points

United States Green Building Council's (USGBC) New Construction & Major Renovations (LEED-NC)		
MR credit 4.1	Recycled content: 10% (post-consumer + 1/2 pre-consumer)	1 point
MR credit 4.2	Recycled content: 20% (post-consumer + 1/2 pre-consumer) SELECT geared continuous hinges are made from up to 100% pre-consumer recycled aluminum.	1 point
MR credit 5.1	Regional materials: 10% extracted, processed and manufactured regionally	1 point
MR credit 5.2	Regional materials: 20% extracted, processed and manufactured regionally Our hinges are manufactured in Portage, Mich. If your building site is within 500 miles of our facility, our hinges count toward this credit.	1 point
EQ Credit 4.2	Low-emitting materials: paints and coatings Anodizing is an environmentally friendly metal finishing process that provides a durable, attractive surface, has little environmental impact, is not harmful to human health, is fully recyclable and doesn't emit volatile organic compounds (VOCs). We use water-soluble solutions to clean hinges prior to shipping.	1 point

The latest LEED-NC edition doesn't factor a product's life cycle. However, we understand the next LEED-NC edition likely will include Life Cycle Assessment, which would offer you more LEED points when using SELECT hinges. SELECT hinges' long life can reduce your environmental impact by eliminating the need for frequent replacements. A SELECT hinge exceeded 25,000,000 cycles in independent testing — equal to 50+ years of high-traffic use and more than 10 times Grade 1 cycle count. That's why we offer the industry's only Continuous Warranty™ — The warranty that never ends for the hinge that never quits.SM

In summary, SELECT hinges reduce your environmental impact in a variety of ways: using up to 100% pre-consumer recycled aluminum in our hinges; recycling of all aluminum stock not used in production; and anodizing all our hinges. (Anodizing is commonly called "the green finish.") We use water-soluble cleaning solutions prior to shipping, and ship in fully recyclable shipping cartons made of 46% recycled (3% pre-consumer/43% post-consumer) corrugated packaging material.

For additional documentation on GREEN SELECT hinges, visit www.thegreenhinge.com







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