

Green Building Council of Australia

Media kit

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About us

The Green Building Council of Australia (GBCA) has been the nations voice on sustainable buildings and communities since 2002. Our mission is simple: help make Australia's built environment sustainable, resilient to environmental changes, and healthier for you.

Together with industry and government, we encourage policies and programs that support this, and we educate thousands of people each

year, including industry members and decision-makers, to help deliver on this mission for you.

We make this happen through the operation of Australia's only voluntary system for rating buildings and communities on their sustainability and liveability – **Green Star**.

About Green Star

Green Star is the GBCA's voluntary rating system developed by industry, for industry, to assess and recognise sustainable building practices. Ratings look at the sustainability and liveability of the entire projects design, construction, and operation, including indoor air quality, energy efficiency, water use and material selection, to name a few.

Each project is awarded points based on their performance across a range of categories, and a final Green Star rating is given, up to 6 Stars.

Those that score a 6 Star Green Star rating are considered world leaders in sustainable building practices.

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Approved wording for Green Star projects

When writing about a Green Star project in your article, be sure to check if it is certified or registered. You can do so by contacting our team with the details above.

You are not required to name the type of rating (i.e., Communities, Buildings, etc) but it must be clear whether the project is certified or only registered.



For example:

Certified: “[project name] has achieved a 6 Star Green Star Buildings certification.”

Certified: “[project name] has achieved a 5 Star Green Star Certification.”

Registered: “[project name] is targeting a 6 Star Green Star Communities rating.”

Registered: “[project name] is targeting a 5 Star Green Star rating”

If you are unsure if the project you are writing about is a Green Star project, or if it is registered or certified, you can check

our project directory – <https://www.gbca.org.au/project-directory.asp>. If you are still unsure please contact us at media@gbca.org.au

Definitions

Carbon and climate definitions

[Read here](#)

Green Star process:

[Technical definitions relating to Green Star](#)

Green Star – Buildings:

Certifies the design and construction of new buildings and major refurbishments.

Green Star – Communities:

Certifies a plan and delivery for a precinct scale development.

Green Star – Performance:

Certifies the operational performance of existing buildings (This includes energy, water, and waste management.)

Green Star – Fitouts:

Certifies the interior fitout in a building.

Green Star – Homes:

Certifies the design and construction of positive, healthy and resilient homes.

Resources

[Press Kit assets](#)

