

Abbreviated Outline for BIFMA Standard

1. Purpose and Goals
2. Scope
3. References and Tools
4. Definitions
5. General Requirements
 - a. Life-Cycle Assessment (LCA)
 - b. Reduce overall energy use and increase renewable energy use
 - c. Natural capital vs. man-made
 - d. Product labeling and marking
 - e. Compliance of Product Platforms
6. Sustainable Furniture Evaluation Criteria – Products
 - a. Human & Ecosystem Health (Safe for Public Health and Environment)
 - b. Energy (Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency)
 - c. Biobased or recycled materials
 - d. Reclamation, sustainable reuse and end of life management
 - e. Design Elements
 - f. Innovation
7. Sustainable Furniture Evaluation Criteria – Facilities/Companies
 - a. Human & Ecosystem Health (Safe for Public Health and Environment) – Policy, Inventory, Process Chemicals
 - b. Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency (Energy) (Mapping, Operations, Strategy, Renewables)
 - c. Water management
 - d. Corporate Responsibility
 - i. EMS and publicly available targets
 - ii. Social responsibility (policy and indicator reporting)
 - iii. Workplace safety (beyond compliance)
 - iv. Governance diversity
 - v. Supply chain accountability
 - vi. Community Outreach/Involvement
 - vii. Documenting change management
 - e. Innovation
8. Assessment Matrices as appropriate
9. Compliance with Standard
 - a. Declaration
 - b. Communications
10. Appendices
 - a. Product Material-Specific Requirements based on life-cycle concerns and feasibility (e.g. steel recycled content should not be the same as particle-board recycled content) (Steel, Aluminum, Textiles, Wood, Composites, Plastics, Fiberglass, Paper, Adhesives, Paints and Coatings, Cushionings (includes urethane foams)...))
 - b. Facility chemicals requirements (Lubricants, Manufacturing Aids – identify key processes)
 - c. Safer chemicals/materials list – Data Bank concept