



RECYCLED CONTENT CERTIFICATION FOR ELECTRICAL & ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

Certification under Annex A of the SCS Recycled Content Standard

What is it?

Recycled Content Certification for Electrical and Electronic Equipment (EEE) raises the bar for recycled content in consumer electronics products. As a more comprehensive addition to the SCS-103 Recycled Content Standard, the Electrical and Electronic Equipment Annex to the standard sets a minimum threshold for recycled content in the full product, allowing for a product-level claim.

This certification is ideal for brands and Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) located around the globe that want a product-level claim to demonstrate the total percentage of recycled content used in electrical and electronic equipment products. Certificate holders can use this multi-attribute certification to sell products through retailers such as Amazon under the Climate Pledge Friendly program. Products that qualify under this standard range from heating and portable A/C appliances, to coffee machines, gaming devices, computer and internet equipment, mobile devices and more.

This certification brings transparency in product claims to the marketplace, requiring higher levels of recycled content than in our core Recycled Content Standard. This will increase consumer confidence and product purchases, while also supporting manufacturers' efforts towards the highest levels of environmental sustainability performance. Certification also helps companies promote continuous improvement of recycled materials, as well as innovation in material recycling processes to minimize waste to landfills.

Why get certified with SCS?

SCS Global Services is the certifier of choice for recycled content claims around the world, and for companies seeking certification of their in-house recycling programs. We are recognized for the rigor of our standards and the professionalism of our staff.

As a pioneer in sustainability certification standards, SCS first introduced its Recycled Content Standard in 1989, a response to the burgeoning interest in recycled content claims and the introduction of innovative new recycling technologies. More than three decades later, the demand for recycled products and materials continues to grow and SCS has certified thousands of products manufactured worldwide.

Benefits of Recycled Content Certification

Achieving certification under this standard builds business value and enables you to:

- Demonstrate the highest levels of environmental sustainability performance for product manufacturing.
- Promote innovation in material recycling processes to minimize waste to landfills.
- Stimulate increased use of recycled materials in products.
- Facilitate the continuous improvement of the functionality and performance of recycled materials.
- Support transparency in product claims to increase consumer confidence and purchases of products with higher levels of recycled content.

STEPS TO CERTIFICATION

1

Data Collection and Analysis

Your auditor helps you assemble your data and documentation. Your auditor reviews your legal compliance, manufacturing data, processes, chain of custody procedures and supplier data, due diligence and Know Your Counterparty (KYC) procedures, material input documentation, and minimum recycled content for the applicable product type as detailed in the standard. The auditor looks for conformance to the standard, as well as the nature of your claim.

2

Draft Assessment Report

Your auditor writes a draft assessment report that details the findings of the audit, including data analysis, non-conformities, and opportunities for improvement. You are required to respond to any non-conformities with a root cause analysis and corrective action.

Onsite Audit: Your auditor uses a risk-based approach to determine if an onsite audit is needed. If it is needed, the onsite audit may be recommended prior to granting certification or within one year of certification.

3

Internal Peer Review and Client Review

A qualified SCS lead auditor reviews the report, making any necessary corrections or changes. The report is then sent to you for review, and you may comment on the information contained in the report and the conclusions drawn by the auditor.

4

Certification Decision

If certification is achieved, SCS issues the certificate(s), logos, and final report to you. Your auditor works with you to determine how to list your products on the certificate(s). Once certified, your company and products are listed on the SCS Certified Green Products Guide. SCS can also provide marketing support to help increase brand value and recognition of your sustainability achievements.

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Certification Maintenance and Renewal

Certification is valid for one year. SCS requires annual audits to maintain your certification and support continual improvement.



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