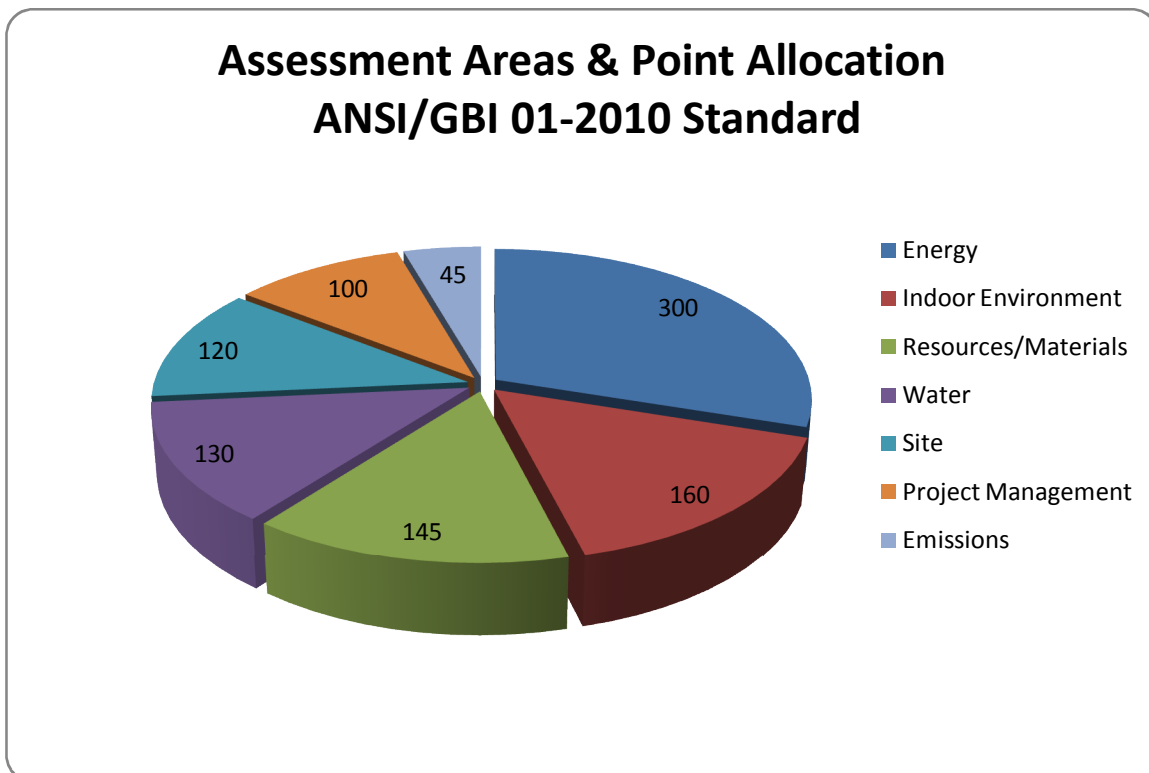


**ANSI/GBI 01-2010 Standard – Assessment Areas and Points Allocation**

In accordance with the Standard, buildings will be comprehensively and thoroughly evaluated across multiple assessment areas that are relevant to sustainability and environmental impact. The seven areas of assessment for the ANSI/GBI Standard include Project Management, Site, Energy, Water, Resources/Materials, Emissions, and Indoor Environment.



Environmental Assessment Area	Total Points Available
<b>Energy</b>	<b>300</b>
<b>Indoor Environment</b>	<b>160</b>
<b>Resources/Materials</b>	<b>145</b>
<b>Water</b>	<b>130</b>
<b>Site</b>	<b>120</b>
<b>Project Management</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Emissions</b>	<b>45</b>
<b>Total</b>	1000 (less non-applicable points)

Each environmental assessment area contains certain criteria that a design and delivery team may deem to be “non-applicable” to the building. This is important to enable the standard protocol to apply to a wide range of building types and geographic climate zones, and in cases where codes or regulations may prohibit implementation of specific building enhancement items.

Selecting “non-applicable” may be appropriate for a building project in certain specific circumstances: If a criteria does not apply to the building type, if a code or regulation conflicts with the standard criterion, or based on regional climactic differences - the criteria is conflicting. The determination that an assessment criterion is “non-applicable” is made formally by the assessor assigned and GBI during the assessment process. This information is communicated to the project leaders in the reports provided at the stage I design review and final certification report.

#### Minimum Percentages of Points Required for Standards Compliance

Environmental Assessment Area	Minimum Percentage of Points Required For Compliance at Each of the Four Levels
<b>Project Management</b>	<b>50%</b>
<b>Site</b>	<b>24% (0 for <i>major renovations</i>)</b>
<b>Energy</b>	<b>Performance Path A: 50%</b> <b>Prescriptive Path B: 33%</b>
<b>Water</b>	<b>26%</b>
<b>Resources/Materials</b>	<b>29%</b>
<b>Emissions</b>	<b>9%</b>
<b>Indoor Environment</b>	<b>32%</b>

Complete information about requirements for ANSI/GBI Standard compliance is contained in the Standards document, available for purchase online at [www.thegbi.org](http://www.thegbi.org)

### ANSI/GBI 01-2010 Standard - Certification Achievement Levels

Buildings are assessed based on the percentage of points achieved out of the total applicable points. Only buildings that complete all of the phases of the pilot program assessment/certification process, and meet the mandatory requirements of the ANSI/GBI standard will be certified.

#### Achievement Levels and Point Percentage Requirements

Levels	Percentage of Points Achieved Out of Applicable Points	Description
<b>Level 4</b>	<b>85-100%</b>	Reserved for select buildings that serve as national or world leaders through focus on reducing environmental impacts.
<b>Level 3</b>	<b>70-84%</b>	Demonstrates leadership in energy and environmentally sensitive buildings and a commitment to continual improvement.
<b>Level 2</b>	<b>55-69%</b>	Demonstrates excellent progress in reducing environmental impacts by applying best practices toward energy and environmentally sensitive buildings.
<b>Level 1</b>	<b>35%-54%</b>	Demonstrates movement beyond awareness and a commitment to toward good energy and environmentally sensitive buildings.

Assessment of compliance with a specific Level of achievement is established based on the reports from 3<sup>rd</sup> party assessors assigned by GBI. The GBI assigned assessors review the data supplied by the design/project team including: the self-evaluation data, documentation supplied, and the results of a site visit to verify the implementation of the items summarized in documentation.

Documentation required as part of certification includes, but is not limited to, written plans, working drawings, specifications, site plans, energy modeling, life-cycle assessment results, commissioning reports, construction documents, and/or other data or documents that demonstrate conformance to the standard requirements.

In addition to scoring at least 35% of the applicable points, each building must meet a minimum performance threshold in each assessment category (as detailed in the standard document) in order to be eligible for certification.