

# Industry Development

## Responsible

**Credit: 1**

**Points: 1**

## Outcome

The development facilitates industry transformation through partnership, collaboration, and data sharing.

## Criteria

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| <b>Credit Achievement</b> | <b>1 point</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The building owner or developer appoints a Green Star Accredited Professional.</li> <li>The building owner or developer discloses the cost of sustainable building practices to the NZGBC.</li> <li>The building owner or developer markets the building's sustainability achievements.</li> </ul> |
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## Additional information

### Stage implementation

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| Strategy | Brief | Concept | Design | Tender | Construction | Handover | Use |
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### Synergies with other credits

- All credits (Green Star Accredited Professional involvement)

### Sustainable Development Goals

- Goal 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities)

### Relevant reporting initiatives

- None

# Requirements

## Credit Achievement

The project must comply with **all three** of the following criteria:

- Green Star Accredited Professional
- Financial Transparency
- Marketing Sustainability Achievements

## Green Star Accredited Professional

At least one Green Star Accredited Professional (GSAP) must be engaged as part of the project team from the time of registration or within one month following. A GSAP must be contractually engaged as part of the core project team for the duration of the project. The role of the GSAP can be fulfilled by one, or multiple individuals.

The GSAP must:

- Act as the 'Project Contact' for the purposes of communicating with the NZGBC
- Provide advice, guidance, and support from project registration through to certification to the rest of the project team
- Ensures the project team has access to the information covering Green Star principles, structure, timing, and process including:
  - Eligibility
  - Green Star strategy
  - Technical Questions
  - The submission
  - Certification process
  - Green Star branding and marketing rules.

## Financial Transparency

The project team must complete, and include in the submission, the *Green Star Financial Transparency disclosure template*. The template requires and enables the project team to submit the cost of sustainable building practices of the project including design, construction, and documentation to the NZGBC.

The project team must provide the *disclosure template* in Excel format with the project's Green Star submission, not as a PDF.

## Marketing Sustainability Achievements

The project team must:

- Provide information from the project's marketing team that answers the questions in the submission form for a *Green Star Case Study*. The case study seeks information on the sustainability initiatives that the building targeted to enable it being featured on the NZGBC's website
- Detail how the building will detail its sustainability achievements to its stakeholders. The stakeholders are defined as the typical building occupants and visitors
- Demonstrate the Green Star Certification achieved for the project is prominently displayed in a location that is visible to the public or visitors

## Submission content

### Submissions for this credit must contain:

- **Submission form**
- *Green Star Financial Transparency disclosure template* submitted in excel format
- **Evidence** to support claims made in the submission

### Recommended evidence:

#### Green Star Accredited Professional

- Letter of appointment from the client or head contractor confirming the appointment of a GSAP in the project, including the scope of works
- Sample Meeting minutes demonstrating input from the GSAP
- Letter from the Client confirming that the GSAP satisfactorily fulfilled their engagement responsibilities as per the scope of works and requirements of this credit

#### Financial Transparency

- Completed *Green Star Financial Transparency disclosure template*
- Statement or report from quantity surveyor, project manager or GSAP from the project, supporting the costs outlined in the disclosure template

#### Marketing sustainability achievements

- Professional photos of the finished project and information for a Case Study
- Developed samples of the marketing material
- Samples of information on the benefits of sustainability in a public and prominent way
- Plans or photographs showing the location where the Green Star certification will be prominently displayed

Alternate documentation can also be used by project teams to demonstrate compliance.

The recommended evidence listed above is applicable to the as built submission. See the Design Assessment section in the Introduction for more information on submitting evidence for the Design assessment.

The key requirement is that evidence is provided to support each claim made within the Submission form.

## Guidance

### Green Star Accredited Professional

The GSAP must be enrolled in the New Zealand Green Building Council's = Continuous Professional Development (CPD) program and must have valid credentials for the duration of their engagement (concept design through to certification).

### Multiple Green Star APs

In some cases, the role of the GSAP can be fulfilled by different individuals throughout the project. This is acceptable provided each GSAP individually meets the requirements of this credit (apart from the workshop requirement) and this role has been fulfilled continually from concept design to practical completion.

### Multiple project roles

In some cases, the Green Star AP's employer may also be engaged in other roles on the Green Star project. This does not constitute a conflict of interest where individuals are able to perform each role independently to meet the requirements of each credit. For example, an organisation may fulfil the role of both Green Star AP and Independent Commissioning Agent (ICA) where separation exists between the individual roles.

In this case, project teams should demonstrate that there is no conflict of interest by including relevant discussion in the submission.

**Green Star Financial Transparency disclosure template**

The *disclosure template* is available via the submission form. Project teams must use the latest available version.

All information will be anonymised by the NZGBC and included as an aggregate as part of a regular report to inform industry on the cost of Green Star. No project, owner or consultant will be identifiable.

## Definitions

**Concept design**

First phase in the design of a project where an Architect, Interior Designer or Engineer prepares drawings providing a general view of the components and the scale of the project based on the client brief.

**Practical completion**

Practical completion is achieved when all the necessary construction work is completed. The timing is defined by the occupancy certificate date of issue.

## Supporting information

The following resources support this credit:

- Green Star Financial Transparency Disclosure Template (available from Green Star resources)