

**MATERIAL HEALTH CERTIFICATE
STANDARD**

**Derived from the
Cradle to Cradle Certified™ Product Standard, Version 3.1**

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1 Purpose

The Material Health Certificate Standard is intended to provide manufacturers the means to assess products in accordance with the provisions of the *Cradle to Cradle Certified Product Standard Version 3.1*, Section 3: Material Health.

2 Normative References

The Cradle to Cradle Certified Product Standard, Version 3.1

The Cradle to Cradle Certified Material Health Assessment Methodology

Guidance for the Cradle to Cradle Certified Product Standard

Guidance for the Cradle to Cradle Certified Material Health Assessment Methodology

ISO 17065:2012: Conformity Assessment – Requirements for bodies certifying products, processes, and services.

3 Definitions

All definitions are identical to those contained within the *Cradle to Cradle Certified Product Standard, Version 3.1*.

4 General

All conditions, terms, and general requirements of the *Cradle to Cradle Certified Product Standard, Version 3.1* and certification program shall apply to the Material Health Certificate Program with one exception: there shall be no Basic level. Certificates begin at the Bronze level and continue progressively through Silver, Gold, and Platinum levels.

5 Scope

The conformance requirements of the certificate shall be identical to those of Section 3, Material Health of the *Cradle to Cradle Certified Product Standard, Version 3.1*. The scope of conformance requirements also includes references and requirements contained in the introductory material contained in the standard, requirements and methodology for Continuous Improvement and Optimization, and the Banned Lists of Chemicals.

6 Implementation

6.1 Assessments

6.1.1 Assessments shall be conducted in accordance with the most current versions of the *Cradle to Cradle Certified Material Health Methodology, Guidance to the Cradle to Cradle Certified Product Standard, and Guidance to the Cradle to Cradle Certified Material Health Methodology*.

6.1.2 Assessments shall be conducted in accordance with the most current versions of Cradle to Cradle Products Innovation Institute policies for conducting assessments:

6.1.2.1 Assessment Manual for Assessment Bodies for the Material Health Certificate Program

6.2 Certificate

6.2.1 The Material Health Certificate Program shall be administered by the Cradle to Cradle Products Innovation Institute in accordance with the most current version of the Certificate Scheme for the Material Health Certificate Program.

6.2.2 The Material Health Certificate Program shall operate in accordance with related specific policies for continued conformance:

6.2.2.1 Policy for Manufacturers to Maintain Compliance within the Material Health Certificate Scheme

6.2.2.2 Policy for Certificate Extension within the Material Health Certificate Scheme

6.2.2.3 Cradle to Cradle Products Innovation Institute Certification Standards Board Policy and Procedures for Appeals