

As a manufacturer of steel storage products, lockers, and steel metal furniture, Republic Storage **cannot seek nor obtain** the LEED's building construction or design credit or certification, as LEED applies to green building projects. Individual products can only contribute to points under the rating system; LEED criteria are performance-based.

Our products are corrosion-coated steel. **By its nature, steel is the number one recycled material.** Our products (lockers, storage products, and metal furniture) are 100% recyclable. Our products are packaged in cardboard on wood skids and are also 100% recyclable. Steel is an excellent "Green" construction material. It contains no hazardous material (except steel) and has no PCB's or asbestos in it.

Per the Iron and Steel Institute:

- Steel made in an electric furnace is made of 100% recycled steel with a post consumer portion of 83.4 % recycled.
- Steel made in a Blast Furnace is made of over 30% recycled steel with a post consumer portion of 80% recycled.

The Green Building Resource Guide indicates most **building construction** averages a 70% recycled content and almost all of that (80%), is post consumer recycled steel. They state, steel is efficient because there is very little waste, and it won't rot or be consumed by termites. Also, steel is non-toxic, it will not off-gas, and will not contaminate indoor air quality. Steel structures have many environmental benefits and **are considered very green**. Steel's only drawback is that steel can consume up to 1,450 kwh /ton (2400btu/pound) to manufacture, but its strength and long life far outweighs the energy loss of remaking alternative materials.

Our Company has a long history of compliance to all EPA rules and regulations (air, water, and waste) and has maintained pollution levels 25% to 30 % below our EPA Limits. We recycle steel, cardboard, paper, batteries, light bulbs, empty drums, scrap paint, and many other items. Although our very old manufacturing building has not been LEED's rated, our Management is committed to do all we can to have our Plant and products environmentally safe and friendly.

Buying Republic automatically qualifies you for Credits One and Two...

☑ CREDIT ONE

Post Industrial

MR Credit(s) 4.1 and 4.2 Recycled Content – Post-Industrial

At least 25% of the metal lockers & shelving produced at our manufacturing facility (Republic Storage Products LLC.) is post-industrial content as defined by the Guides for the Use of Environmental Marketing Claims 16 CFR 260.7 (e) and therefore qualify for this credit.

☑ CREDIT TWO

Recycled Content Pre-Consumer and Post-Consumer

MR Credit (s) 4.1 and 4.2 Recycled Content – Pre-Consumer

At least 25% of the metal in lockers, shelving & storage products produced at the above manufacturing facility is post-industrial content as defined by the Guides for the Use of Environmental Marketing Claims 16 CFR 260.7 (e) and therefore qualify for this credit.

MR Credit (s) 4.1 and 4.2 Recycled Content – Post-Consumer At least 25% of the metal in lockers produced at the above manufacturing facility is post-consumer content as defined by the Guides for the Use of Environmental Marketing Claims 16 CFR 260.7 (e) and therefore qualify for this credit.

CREDIT THREE

Manufactured Regionally

MR Credit 5.1 Regional Materials – Manufactured Regionally

Metal lockers & shelving produced at our manufacturing facility (Republic Storage Products LLC.) that are less than 500 miles from the project site.

Your project location must be within 500 miles of a Republic Storage Products LLC location to qualify for Credit Three. Use your project site address to calculate the distance from:

Montgomery, IL Paris, IL Watseka, IL