



# **TOOL OVERVIEW**

# Guiding Principles Compliance for DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE BUILDINGS

# **GUIDING PRINCIPLES COMPLIANCE FOR DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE BUILDINGS**

Green Building Initiative's (GBI) Department of Defense Guiding Principles Compliance for New Construction & Modernization (DOD GPC NC) is designed specifically to aid DOD construction and major renovation project teams to verify compliance with the federal Guiding Principles. Developed with and for the Department of Defense, GBI's DOD GPC NC program validates compliance with Unified Facilities Criteria (UFC) 1-200-02 "High Performance and Sustainable Building Requirements." When a building meets the requirements of UFC 1-200-02, it is considered compliant with the Guiding Principles for Sustainable Federal Buildings (HPSB Guiding Principles).

#### Each DOD GPC NC assessment includes:

- GBI staff support to ensure a timely and seamless verification process.
- Simple-to-use Excel-based (offline) survey used by project team and Assessor.
- Collaboration with a highly trained Assessor which will respond within 24 hours by email or phone.
- Either Third-party On-Site Assessment or Post Construction Document Review to verify compliance.
- Detailed report outlining compliance status and recommendations per each individual UFC requirement.
- Supplemental tools to enhance and clarify the Guiding Principles Compliance process, including dedicated technical reference manuals.
- Option for additional design reviews to ensure compliance from predesign through to construction.

# Why Choose GBI's DOD Guiding Principles Compliance for New Construction Program?

- Third-party Assessor who works with the project team from design through construction completion, answers questions and offers guidance, and performs an on-site review to verify compliance.
- Built-in process for identifying requirements that are not applicable, or that may partially comply (due to LCCE)
- Meets requirements with minimal disruption to each agency's core mission.
- Contributes to agencies' annual progress complying with the Guiding Principles for High Performance and Sustainable Buildings.

Registration is discounted up to 25% for orders placed by the DOD.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Unified Facilities Criteria 1-200-02 "High Performance and Sustainable Building Requirements."



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## **Guiding Principles Compliance Assessment Process**



### DOD Guiding Principles Compliance for New Construction can verify compliance for unique Federal buildings including:

- · Warehouse spaces
- · Classified facilities / SCIF facilities
- Smaller buildings without HVAC
- · Munition facilities
- Historic facilities
- Retail stores / convenience stores
- · Public service buildings
- Training Centers
- Testing laboratories

- Buildings with high process loads and/or large energy output including:
  - · Research facilities
  - Laboratories
  - · Medical facilities
  - Machine shops
  - Repair facilities
  - Communication centers
- Industrial facilities
- Data centers
- · Energy production facilities
- Incineration plants
- Waste recycling centers
- · Combined Heat and Power Generation plants

#### **Program Eligibility**

- The Federal Government must be the owner or lessee (special considerations for local or state government)
- The building must be at least 5,000 square feet in size
- New construction project may be occupied <18 months</li>
- · New construction, major renovation, and addition projects (no existing buildings)

USACE: Contact GBI for details on obtaining a waiver for difficult or unique projects.

To move forward with a DOD GPC for NC assessment, please contact Megan Baker at (503) 274-0448 x109 or megan@thegbi.org.