



CHAPTER 3 - COMMISSIONING AND MANAGEMENT

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503.08 SUSTAINABLE AWARENESS



INTENT

To provide awareness to users on sustainability performance of the buildings thereby educating occupants to use resources effectively.

REQUIREMENT

For Golden and Platinum Sa'fa and for all new buildings other than villas, the building operator must develop and provide a clear mechanism for sustainable awareness for the users of the building. This must include information on the consumption of energy and water in the building.

SIGNIFICANCE

The purpose of implementing green building requirements is to improve the performance of buildings and contribute positively to environment. Performance of sustainable development depends upon participation by occupants and their awareness on building performance. When there is lack awareness, occupants would not know the sustainability features that have been incorporated in the building and knowledge for its optimum use. By creating an awareness medium, building occupants and visitors are educated on the building performance. This ensures the building is not only designed in a sustainable manner but also continues to operate in the same way.

APPLICABILITY

This regulation is applicable to all building types, except villas. Refer to Table 101.07(2) in Section One - Administration for detailed applicability levels.

IMPLEMENTATION

Project teams must develop and implement a clear mechanism to create sustainability awareness to the users of building. As part of sustainability awareness, various sustainability features of the building could be displayed near the entrance lobby.

The sustainability awareness must include the building's energy and water efficiency measures, indoor environmental quality and how occupant behaviour affects the building performance and information on materials used in building, including environmental and social benefits.