Certain terms used in the Dubai Green Building Regulations are defined in this section. Terms that are not defined shall have their ordinary accepted meaning within the context in which they are used.

Acoustical control	Controlling noise sources, transmission path, and/or receiver in order to reach an acceptable noise environment for a particular space.
Addition	An extension or increase in floor area or height of a building outside of the existing building envelope (walls and roofs).
Adequate	Sufficient to satisfy a specific requirement or meet a specific need.
Adhesive	Material used to bond one surface to another by attachment.
Air break	A piping arrangement where a drain from an appliance or fixture discharges into an airspace and then into another fixture, receptacle, or interceptor; used to prevent back siphonage or backflow.
Air contaminants	Unwanted airborne constituent that may reduce acceptability or adequacy of the air quality
Air leakage	Air that escapes from a building through a joint, coupling, junction, or the surfaces which enclose the building. The flow of uncontrolled air within a building through cracks or openings.
Air tightness (of a building)	The property of an enclosure or barrier that precludes the passage of air.
Air volume	The amount (volume) of air delivered to a space through ventilation, typically specified in litres per second or cubic metres per minute.