

## Furniture Sustainability Standard



## Improve Your Sustainability Profile

### Demonstrate leadership through *level* certification

**level** is the certification program for the BIFMA e3 Furniture Sustainability Standard (BIFMA e3). The **level** conformance mark ensures a comprehensive, independent and impartial assessment of the environmental and social impacts of a product's manufacture. **level** makes it easy to identify products that have been evaluated against the consensus-based, multi-attribute sustainability standard. The certification also provides benchmarks for continual improvement and innovation within the furniture industry.

The BIFMA e3 standard establishes performance requirements that address the triple bottom line (economic-environment-social equity) throughout the supply chain. It is applicable to business and institutional furniture manufactured in one facility or multiple facilities, one country or multiple countries.

The standard includes prerequisite requirements as well as performance requirements and quantifiable metrics in four key areas:

- Materials
- Energy and atmosphere
- Human and ecosystem health
- Social responsibility

Manufacturers certified by NSF to the BIFMA e3 sustainability standard can use the **level** certification mark on their products or in their advertising.



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### Certification Benefit

Independent **level** certification allows you to:

- Distinguish your “green” products from your competitors, making you a preferred vendor to those seeking sustainable solutions.
- Meet State and Federal procurement guidelines.
- Achieve the most credible type of certification available in the marketplace.
- Save money by adopting more sustainable operational practices and business approaches in their advertising.



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# Certify to BIFMA Product Certification Program level®

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## Sustainability Assured

NSF International serves as the ANSI standards developer for the BIFMA e3 standard. NSF Sustainability has extensive capabilities to independently verify environmental and social claims, performance and preferability of products and services.

- Standards protocols and customized sustainability measurement methods
- Independent verification services
- Claims and sustainable product certification



Our global experience in the field of assurance enables us to assist you in developing sustainable business strategies. NSF conducts audits in over 100 countries and has a large network of international auditors. We can also advise you regarding the best approaches to implementing sustainability systems to help green your operations, help you establish green product performance criteria, assist you in implementing verification programs to green your supply chain and procurement and help you green your retail products.

## Contact Us

For more information about independent, third-party certification to BIFMA's **level** certification program or other sustainable business solutions, please contact NSF at:

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