

University of Wisconsin – La Crosse

Green Cleaning Program

Centennial Hall

Section 5-1: Cleaning Products Performance Standard

The University of Wisconsin – La Crosse (UW-L) has adopted best practice green cleaning performance metrics consistent with metrics developed in the Cleaning Industry Management Standard (CIMS) and Certification Program established by the International Sanitary Supply Association (ISSA).

A. Cleaning Product Purchase

1. UW-L will use chemical concentrates with appropriate dilution control systems to minimize chemical use to the maximum extent possible.
2. UW-L will use environmentally preferable cleaning materials whenever practical. This includes the use of microfiber tools and wipes and other available materials proven to be environmentally preferable and recognized as such.
3. Cleaning products include:
 - General-purpose, bathroom, glass, and carpet cleaners
 - Cleaning and degreasing compounds
 - Hard surface cleaners
 - Carpet and upholstery care products

B. Cleaning Product Criteria

A specified percentage of cleaning products shall:

- Be certified by Green Seal, EcoLogo or Environmental Choice
- Be recognized by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Design for the Environment Program (DfE)

C. Cleaning Product Requirement

A minimum of sixty (60) percent, by purchase cost, of cleaning products shall meet one of the applicable compliance criteria of Section 5-1 B. . UW-L will retain purchasing records that identify cleaning products and cost. UW-L will regularly use this data to verify compliance with cleaning product purchasing requirements.

Section 7-1: Equipment Performance Standard

A. Equipment Purchase

UW-L shall purchase green cleaning equipment consistent with the certification and best practice provisions stated in Section 7: Equipment.

B. Equipment Requirement

A minimum of sixty (60) percent, by number of units, of cleaning equipment shall meet the applicable provisions and criteria established in Section 7: Equipment. UW-L will retain a Custodial Services Equipment Log for Centennial Hall. The log will identify all cleaning equipment and further note if the equipment meets or does not meet certification provisions or criteria established in Section 7: Equipment.