WELL Building Standard



Workplaces are becoming more people centric



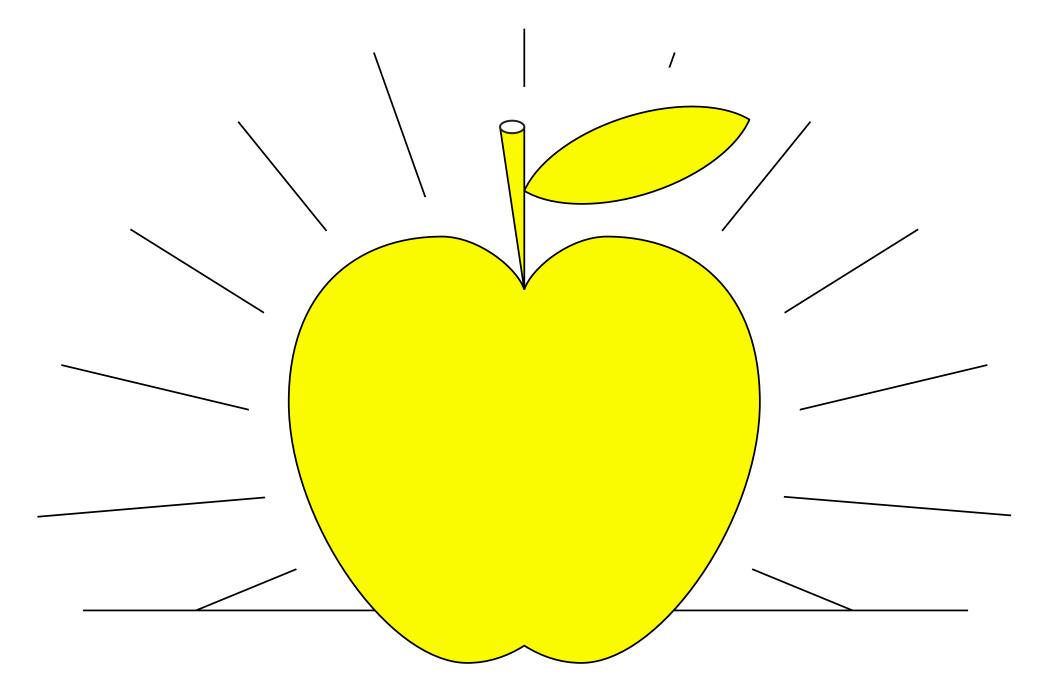
Green building standards are gaining on importance and are influencing transformation in real estate industry. Environmentally conscious building practices throughout the world are rapidly expanding.

Tenants, landlords and stakeholders around the world are paying more attention to Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) criteria, therefore shifting towards greener and sustainable values across sectors.

The global building and construction sector accounts for 36% of energy consumption worldwide and 40% of CO2 emissions, making commercial fit outs a crucial part of any sustainability strategy.

Prioritising environmental considerations consequently influences financial benefits as well, including an increase in asset and property value, higher occupancy rates, greater talent attraction and retention, and lower construction and operating costs.

What is WELL?

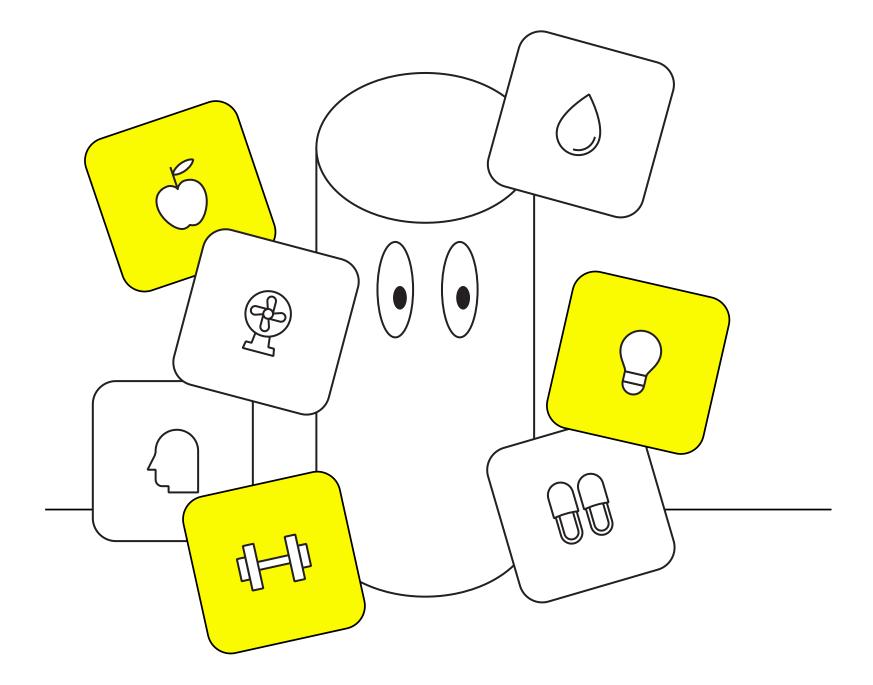


The WELL Building Standard focuses on people in the building to enhance human health and well-being, therefore reinvent buildings that not only better for the planet, but also for the people.

WELL is first standard that focuses solely on the health and wellness of the building occupants. It identifies over 100 performance metrics, design strategies and policies, all based on research and collaboration with leading physicians, scientists, and industry professionals.

It was pioneered by DELOS, is administered by IWBI (international WELL Building Institute) and third party accredited in collaboration with Green Business Certification (certification body for LEED Green Building Rating System).

How does WELL work?



It can be applied for commercial and institutional real estate and is applicable to three project types:

- → New and Existing Buildings
- → New and Existing Interiors
- → Core and Shell

Pilot programs are available for other sectors, such as residence, retail, and restaurants.

WELL is organised in seven categories, called concepts:

- → Air
- → Water
- → Nourishment
- → Light
- → Fitness
- → Comfort
- → Mind

Altogether, concepts are comprised of 105 features, where some of them are preconditions that must be fulfilled, and some are optimisations, tailored for specific building type.

There are three possible certifications, silver, gold, and platinum.

How to achieve certification?

1. Step



Registration

First, one must fill out official online application, with intent to pursue certification. Registration is possible for either single-cycle certification or three-to-five-year subscription.

2. Step



Documentation review

Required document types are annotated documents (design, construction, policies, etc.), LOAs (Letters of Assurance) from either architects, contractors, MEP Engineers or owner, and general documents (project checklist, agreement, etc.).

3. Step



Performance verification

- → Tests span measurements across several environmental parameters:
- → Air quality
- → Water quality
- → Light attributes
- → Thermal considerations
- → Acoustic elements

4. Step



WELL report

Report provides feature-by-feature assessment and includes inspection details and analysis results. Once it is issued, project team is required to either accept report or initiate curative actions for deficiencies or appeal.

5. Step



Award and ongoing monitoring

Applicants that satisfy the requirements and accept the report are officially WELL certified. Certificate will indicate the level of certification (silver, gold, or platinum) and the year of certification. To maintain it, one must adhere to reporting requirements – occupancy surveys, proof of maintenance and on-going monitoring of environmental parameters.

6. Step

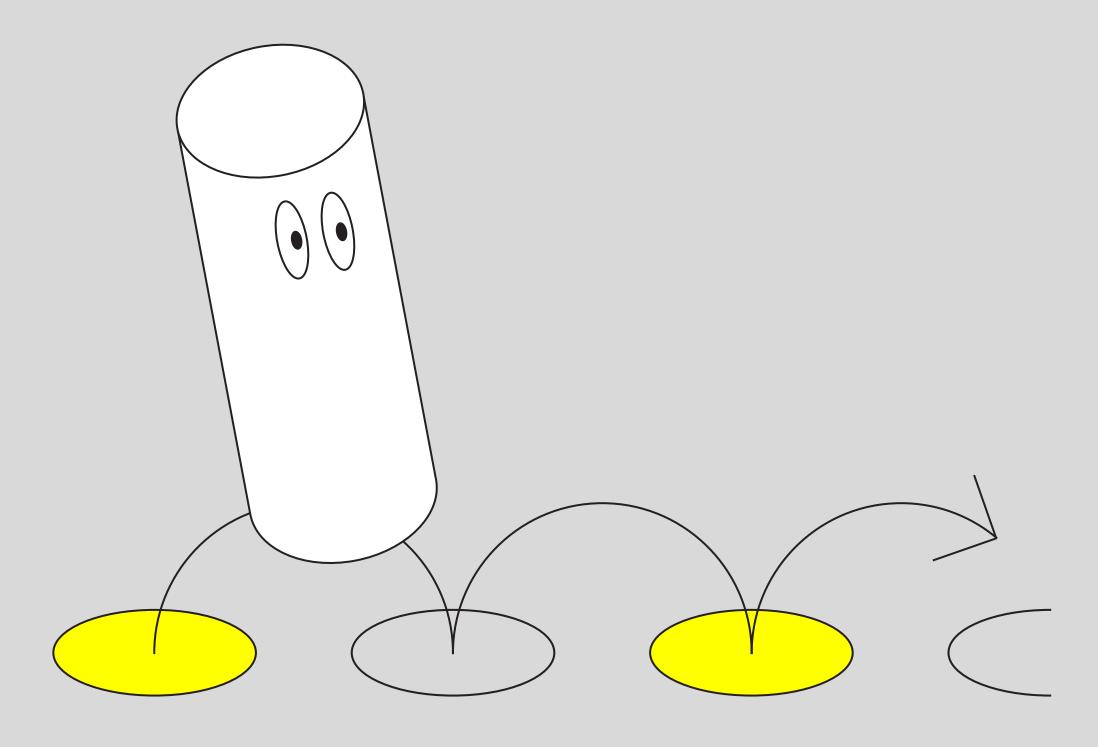


Recertification

WELL certification is valid for three years. After that, one files an application for recertification and complete the process that checks whether the building is still performing to WELL standards.

Get WELL accreditation with Camac

When our clients choose to go through the WELL accreditation process, we appoint an in-house WELL Accredited Professional (WELL AP) to help guide the project to successful certification awards.





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