

Overview of Cradle to Cradle Certified (Full Scope) Version 3.1, 4.1, vs. 5.0 Requirements

	Version 3.1	Version 4.1	Version 5.0
General	No General requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certification compliance assurance • Environmental Risk Assessment • Environmental Policy / Strategy • Environmental Management • Measurable improvement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certification compliance assurance • Measurable improvement / <i>Strategy</i> (combined into one section)
Material Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restricted list compliance • 100% characterized, 75-100% assessed • Increased optimization by level + strategy • VOC emissions at Gold* • Process chemicals assessed / optimized at Platinum • Packaging restricted list* 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restricted list compliance • Organohalogen restriction • 100% characterized, 75-100% assessed • Increased optimization by level + strategy • VOC emissions & content at Silver* • Process chemicals assessed and optimized at Platinum • Packaging restricted list 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restricted list compliance • <i>Organohalogen restriction</i> • 100% characterized, 75-100% assessed • <i>Increased optimization by level</i> • <i>VOC emissions & content at Silver*</i> • Process chemicals assessed and optimized at Platinum • Packaging restricted list
Product Circularity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Define cycling pathways • Contains recycled or renewable content AND / OR is recyclable or biodegradable • Cycling strategy at Gold • Active cycling at Platinum 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Define cycling pathways • Strategy for addressing challenges • Partners identified or established • Contains recycled or renewable content • Recyclable, biodegradable, or compostable • Circular data transparency • High value cycling compatible at Gold • Circular design / disassembly at Gold • Active cycling at Gold and Platinum • Circularity requirements for Packaging 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Define cycling pathways</i> • Partners identified or established • <i>Contains recycled or renewable content</i> • <i>Recyclable, biodegradable, or compostable. High value cycling compatible at Gold</i> • Circular design / disassembly at Gold • Active cycling at Gold and Platinum • <i>Circularity requirements for Packaging</i> • <i>Transparency</i>
Clean Air & Climate Protection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Energy inventory, % of energy renewable or addressed by level • Energy strategy • Embodied emissions quantified at Platinum 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air emissions compliance • Energy inventory, % of energy renewable or addressed by level • Energy strategy and transparency • Embodied emissions quantified at Silver*, % addressed by level* • Energy efficiency* • Blowing agents with no GWP or ODP 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Air emissions compliance</i> • Energy inventory, % of energy renewable or addressed by level • <i>Embodied emissions quantified at Silver*, % addressed by level*</i> • Blowing agents with no GWP or ODP • <i>Transparency</i>
Water & Soil Stewardship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effluent compliance • Water use inventory • Risk assessment and strategy • Process chemicals / effluent assessed and optimized by level • Action taken in the supply chain at Gold 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effluent compliance • Water use inventory • Risk assessment and strategy • Process chemicals / effluent assessed and optimized by level • Water conservation by level • Water data transparency at Silver • Action taken in the supply chain at Gold • Water positive impact project at Gold 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Effluent compliance</i> • Water use inventory • Process chemicals / effluent assessed and optimized by level • <i>Water conservation by level</i> • <i>Action taken in the supply chain at Gold</i> • <i>Transparency</i>
Social Fairness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Risk assessment and strategy • Social self-assessment • Increased social initiatives by level (a positive impact social project, material certification, and supply chain investigation) • Third-party audit at Platinum 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Human rights policy and strategy • Human rights risk assessment • Social performance audit • Social/grievance management at Silver • Transparency on social impact at Silver • Social positive impact project at Silver • Supply chain actions at Silver and above • Company-wide operations and collaboration at Platinum 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Human rights policy</i> • <i>Social performance audit and management systems</i> • Supply chain actions at Silver and above • <i>Social/grievance management at Silver</i> • Company-wide operations and collaboration at Platinum

*Only applicable to select product types.

Animal Welfare requirements are not listed above but are included in Version 4.1 and Version 5.0 for products containing animal materials.

↑ *Italicized: V5.0 adds flexibility or reduces what is required compared to Version 4.1 for these points.*