



Your BUILT GREEN® Home

A healthier, more durable home with economic benefits

As the homeowner of a BUILT GREEN® certified house, you will enjoy a healthier, more durable home with a lower environmental impact, plus economic benefits.

Our third-party certified program takes a holistic approach to sustainable building that includes energy efficiency and goes beyond to materials & methods, indoor air quality, ventilation, waste management, water conservation, and business practices. And our certification program for single family and renovation projects is a **2-in-1 with an EnerGuide label and a BUILT GREEN® label**.



A healthier, more comfortable home

- Improved air tightness and ventilation means fewer toxins and dust in the air, resulting in less stress on the respiratory and immune systems—for those with allergies, benefits can be significant.
- Reduction of drafts, cold spots, and temperature variance from room to room.
- Superior insulation and air tightness also offer substantial sound reduction from outside.

Increased durability

- Durability is one of the most overlooked aspects of a sustainably built home. BUILT GREEN® homes can feature a wide variety of durable features—from engineered lumber that resists warping to extremely durable exterior features such as 30-year shingles to waterproofing foundation walls—helping homeowners save money over the long-term!

A more efficient home

- Our homes are resource-efficient, reducing their environmental impact, both during the build and in the day-to-day operation of the home. Some of the options to choose from include: energy efficiency—furnaces and air conditioners, windows, Energy Star appliances, etc.; electrical efficiency—Compact Fluorescent Lamps (CFL) and Light-Emitting Diode (LED) to timers and motion sensors to whole-home automation; and water efficiency—water-saving toilets to low-flow showers and faucets to xeriscaping and more.

Economic benefits

- Reduction in monthly operating costs, **15% automatic mortgage loan rebate eligibility**, and more. Increased efficiency means long-term savings: on water, electricity, and gas—while increased durability cuts on reno costs.
- Homes with green certification sell for close to 10% more on average than homes without. Plus, 67% of homeowners say a high performance home is a 'must have'. 2018 Canadian Home Buyer Preference National Study by Avid Ratings and CHBA National
- Plus, there are a number of rebates available around sustainable building for new homes and renovations.

Verification of green features in the home

- Third-party certification recognizes the authenticity of the home. These labels offer verification to the home's energy efficiency and green features. Look for the labels on the furnace or electrical panel.

For more information, ask your builder or renovator about a BUILT GREEN® certified home or contact us.