

RUSTON

DECORATIVE FINISHING FOR INTERIORS WITH “ANTIQUE PATINA EFFECT”

Table 1: LCA results.

		Unit	Total	Upstream	Core	Downstream
Impact categories	Global Warming (100 yr)	kg CO ₂ eq	1.34	1.00	0.07	0.28
	Ozone layer depletion (20 yr)	mg CFC-11 eq	0.274	0.239	0.007	0.028
	Photochemical oxidation	g C ₂ H ₄ eq	1.34	1.12	0.03	0.19
	Acidification	g SO ₂ eq	4.77	3.56	0.30	0.91
	Eutrophication	g PO ₄ ³⁻ eq	1.75	1.11	0.34	0.30
	Human toxicity infinite	kg 1,4-DB eq	0.522	0.404	0.030	0.088
	Fresh water aquatic ecotox.	kg 1,4-DB eq	0.337	0.159	0.016	0.162
	Freshwater sediment ecotox.	kg 1,4-DB eq	0.758	0.339	0.037	0.383
	Marine aquatic ecotox.	kg 1,4-DB eq	531	317	29	184
	Marine sediment ecotox.	kg 1,4-DB eq	379	201	19	158
Energy content	Non-renewable	MJ eq	27.5	23.4	1.0	3.1
	Renewable	MJ eq	1.09	1.92	0.09	-0.92
Material resource consumption	Non-renewable	kg	0.547	0.329	0.032	0.186
	Renewable	kg	40.3	38.8	0.9	0.7
Other	Material to recycling	kg	0.026	0.001	0.002	0.022
	Water consumption	kg	40.3	38.8	0.9	0.7
Waste	Non hazardous waste	kg	0.073	0.028	0.009	0.035
	Hazardous waste	g	1.54	0.42	0.51	0.61

Interpretation

The LCA results indicate that the largest contributions come from upstream processes (i.e. raw materials). The Carbon Footprint of RUSTON is 1.34 kg CO₂ eq and its water consumption is 40.3 litres. The negative value of renewable energy content is caused by the pallet reuse.

LEED

LEED means Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design. It is a voluntary program that provides third-party verification of green buildings. It provides building owners and operators a tool to understand their building's environmental performance and to create healthy indoor spaces.

In order to obtain LEED certification, projects must satisfy prerequisites and earn points (there is a threshold). The number of points the project earns determines its level of LEED certification.

LEED is a certification system that deals with the environmental performance of buildings based on overall characteristics of the project. Although LEED does not certify products and services of individual companies, products and services do play a role and can help projects with credit achievement.

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The table below shows RUSTON potential contribution to the different **LEED credits** of the LEED 2009 Rating System for New Construction and Major Renovations [7]. Table 1 shows the possible contribution of the paint to potential credits, if used properly.

Table 2: Potential LEED credits.

LEED Credits	Description	Possible points	Notes
MR credit 5	Regional Materials	1-2 points	According to the percentage of products locally extracted and manufactured
IEQ credit 3.2	Construction Indoor air quality management plan	1 point	More information are available on request
IEQ credit 4.2	Low-Emitting Materials Paints and Coatings	1 point	More information are available on request

Novacolor does not guarantee that credits will be obtained by projects pursuing LEED certification. The designer or engineer will need to evaluate and verify if the project complies with the LEED requirements.

OTHER INFORMATION

VOC Dir. 2004/42/EC

Limit value EU (Dir. 2004/42/EC) [8]

Cat . L: Decorative effect coatings (water-base): 200 g/l (2010)

RUSTON Contains max: 190 g/l VOC

ECODESIGN INDEX

Counter of ecodesign activities affecting the coating, accomplished by the company.

N°	Activity item	Date
1	first issue	mar-2013

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