



# IT Hardware Sustainability Content Tags

It's now easier to buy computers and other IT hardware, save money, AND meet green purchasing requirements. The new **Green✓** content tags identify shared acquisition contract vehicles that meet or exceed all current sustainability requirements.

For IT Hardware, these tags mean energy efficiency and environmental preferability. These tags are now visible in the Solutions Finder to help acquisition professionals identify IT Hardware contract vehicles that are consistent with Federal Sustainability requirements.

## Tags:

**Green✓** - Subject-matter experts reviewed this contract vehicle and determined it to be consistent with federal sustainability requirements for IT Hardware.

**Green✓\*** - Subject-matter experts reviewed this contract vehicle and determined it to be exempt from federal sustainability requirements for IT Hardware.

All IT Hardware Hallway solutions have been reviewed for consistency with [Executive Order 13693, Planning for Federal Sustainability in the Next Decade](#), which requires federal agencies to “promote sustainable acquisition and procurement by ensuring that each of the following environmental performance and sustainability factors are included to the maximum extent practicable for all applicable procurements”:

- (1) Meet statutory mandates for recycled content, energy and water efficiency, and BioPreferred or biobased;
- (2) Purchase sustainable products and services identified by EPA programs; and
- (3) Purchase environmentally preferable products or services that meet or exceed specifications, standards, or labels recommended by EPA or meet environmental performance criteria developed or adopted by voluntary consensus standards bodies.



For the Solutions Finder on the IT Hardware Hallway, contracts were reviewed for the following:

Does the contract...

- *Require buying ENERGY STAR-certified products, where applicable?*
- *Require buying FEMP-designated products, where applicable?*
- *Require products to have standby power levels of one (1) watt or less, or the lowest available? This requirement was generally not included; contracts may defer to Energy Star requirements to meet this requirement for all IT equipment except desktops, thin clients and workstations.*
- *Require procurement of EPEAT-registered products, where applicable?*

To be considered consistent with EO 13693, a contract must include appropriate sustainable purchasing clauses for the ENERGY STAR, FEMP, and EPEAT items.

EO 13693 states that procurements must meet these requirements to the “maximum extent practicable.”

Therefore, some contract vehicles may offer specific products that do not meet the requirements listed above due to specialized purchasing needs.

## Review Schedule

The contract vehicles in this hallway were reviewed as of May 31, 2016, for consistency with federal sustainability requirements to determine if they qualified for the **Green✓** tag.

We will review them periodically to make sure they are still consistent with federal sustainability requirements.

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