IGBC Net Zero Water Rating System (Pilot Version)

Abridged Reference Guide – October 2020

1. Revised criteria under "Methodology for achieving Net Zero Water rating system for buildings and built environment" on Page No. 8

Raw Water	Municipal water, borewell water (even if quality is not potable),		
	tanker water purchased, water from water reservoirs (river, pond		
	and lake) lying outside of the project boundary		
Alternate	Rainwater storage (Captive use), treated waste (grey & black) water,		
Water	condensate water and purchased grey water		
Water given	> Recharge the local aquifer, pond or lake within the boundary of		
back to the	the project and any nearby source of water (must be maintained		
source for	by the project team) by capturing rainwater from roof and non-		
use	roof.		
	Donation or selling of treated wastewater to other building(s) for		
	their use.		
Note:	> If water table is high or local regulations do not encourage onsite		
	recharging, project shall donate/ sell treated water for use under		
	Water Back to Source calculations.		
	> Rainwater percolation through landscape area without having		
	any dedicated rainwater harvesting infrastructure shall not be		
	considered under Water Back to Source calculations.		

2. Revised criteria under "Rating levels for Net Zero Water Certification" on Page No. 9

Net Zero Water	Existing criteria	New Criteria
Rating level		
Near Net Zero	Water Performance Ratio (WPR) ≥	WPR ≥ 0.75
Water	0.75	Or
		WPR ≥ 0.5 and WBS ≥
		0.75
Net Zero Water	WPR ≥ 0.75	WPR ≥ 0.5
	&	&
	Water Back to Source (WBS) ≥ 1.0	WBS ≥ 1.0
Net Positive Water	WPR ≥ 0.75	WPR ≥ 0.75
	&	&
	WBS ≥ 1.1	WBS ≥ 1.25