NEW EUROPEAN BAUHAUS self-assessment method and tool

Technical Workshop

New European Bauhaus self-assessment method and tool for buildings and living spaces

Beauty KPIs – Quality of Experience

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B.1 Digitalization in B.2 Quality of design B.6 Maximizing durability Construction and delivery and service life **Beauty KPIs - Quality of Experience** Functionality and Emerging Technologies B.3 Resilience to B.4 Occupant health, **B.5 Physical** comfort and wellbeing **Accessibility** extreme events

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Mitigation

Recovery

Preparedness and Response

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Hazard	Selection				
Select man-made hazards of relevance to the project					
Wind	/				
Floods (riverine and coastal)					
Earthquakes	/				
Landslides					
Volcanic ash					
Tsunami					
Select man-made hazards of relevance to the project					
Fire					
Blast					
Total selections	<i>n</i> hazards				

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- The use of probabilistic evaluations of the hazard
- Use of site-specific evaluations of the hazard
- The complexity and reliability of the hazard evaluation method
- Consideration of climate change scenarios
- Co-incident hazards

B.3.2 Hazard Resilient Design: evaluates the reliability of the approach used for the hazard resistant design of structural systems, and what measures are implemented by the design to limit damage and promote rapid recovery.

- Compliance of hazard resistant design with current codes of practice
- Consideration of multiple performance objectives
- Going beyond code requirements i.e. provision of extra safety
- Structural analysis method used for the design
- Explicit hazard resilient design of non-structural and mechanical components
- Use of design features or devices to prevent/restrict hazard/hazard severity

B.3.3 Consequence mitigation: extent to which the project design implements measures to mitigate the consequences of extreme hazards on functionality and on the user community

Focuses on design aspects that promote **survivability** (i.e. the availability of early warning) and on measures that can be taken to **restore project functionality rapidly** after a hazard event (e.g. availability of back-up systems).

- Early warning systems/alarm systems
- Evacuation routes and evacuation drills
- Accessibility for fire and rescue crews
- Hazard insurance
- Back-up systems for water, energy, communications, security, data systems
- Organizational planning for business continuity

B.3.1 and B.3.2 indicators are evaluated separately for each hazard, *h*, and are summed. The values of B.3.1 and B.3.2 that enter the KPI Equation are those for the hazard (among the n considered hazards) that provide the minimum sum of indicators

$$B.3.1_{h} + B.3.2_{h} = min\{(B.3.1_{1} + B.3.2_{1}), (...), (B.3.1_{n} + B.3.2_{n})\},$$

$$for h \in \{1, 2, ..., n\}$$

The concept is that the worst hazard performance dominates the evaluation

The KPI equation is:

$$B.3 = (0.35 \cdot (B.3.1_h + B.3.2_h) + 0.3 \cdot B.3.3) \le 100$$

Each indicator is evaluated with a score between 0-100

Performance class:		Low	Acceptal	ble	Good		Excellent	
B.3 thresholds ($t_{B.3}$):	0 ≤	t _{B.3, Ac}	ceptable	t _{B.3,}	Good	t _{B.3, Exceller}	t	≤ 100
		≥ .	40	<u>></u>	60	≥ 85		

Four main areas of project design that have been linked to occupant health, comfort and wellbeing are considered within B.4:

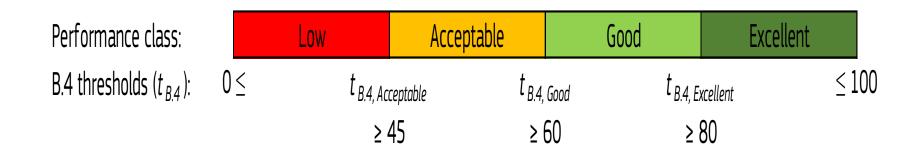
- Indoor acoustic environment (B.4.1)
- Lighting environment (B.4.2)
- Thermal comfort (B.4.3)
- Promotion of physical movement (B.4.4)

All focus on compliance with best practice standards e.g.TR 17621 (CEN, 2021c), and beyond best-practice guidance that specifically address users with diverse abilities e.g. WELL v2 (IWBI, 2020) and PAS 6463 (BSI, 2022).

The B.4 score is calculated as follows:

$$B.4 = 0.25 \cdot (B.4.1 + B.4.2 + B.4.3 + B.4.4) \le 100$$

Each indicator is evaluated with a score between 0-100



Each of the indicators is regarded as equally important

B.4.1 Indoor Acoustic Environment: evaluates the extent to which the project design provides users with a healthy and productive acoustic environment, that is void of harmful or intrusive noise, and which supports speech intelligibility.

- Consideration of metrics like reverberation time (T) and speech transmission index (STI) as defined in standards
- Design for sound isolation and sound reducing surfaces
- Impact noise management
- Acoustic zoning
- Availability of quiet spaces
- Ability to regulate/control noise

B.4.2 Lighting Environment: evaluates the extent to which the project adopts natural and artificial lighting systems that support health, wellbeing, orientation, safety and the ability to conduct tasks, for all users.

- Lighting for wayfinding visual contrast
- Lighting for safety entrances, steps, ramps etc.
- Light exposure and daylight design strategy (illuminance level)
- Electric light quality and glare control
- Ability to regulate/control lighting
- Avoidance of humming/buzzing from lighting

B.4.3 Thermal comfort: evaluates the extent to which the design caters for the thermal comfort of diverse users.

A main parameter used in TC evaluation is the predicted mean Vote (PMVo). PMVo relates the imbalance between the actual heat flow from the body into a given environment and the heat flow required for optimum comfort.

There is therefore no one-fits-all solution - the aim is not to ensure thermal comfort for all, but rather to provide a baseline satisfaction for the largest number of people and a level of control to adjust thermal comfort level. Designers should also consider TC design effect on energy use (see Sustainability)

- Thermal performance and zoning
- Radiant thermal comfort
- Humidity control
- Enhanced operable windows

B.4.4 Promotion of physical movement: evaluates the extent to which the design encourages physical movement where there are such opportunities.

- Facilities for active occupants
- Ergonomic workstation design
- Physical activity spaces
- Site planning and selection
- Active furnishings

B.5 evaluates the extent to which the project design provides ease of physical access in terms of three indicators:

- Ease of circulation (B.5.1)
- Safe wayfinding (B.5.2)
- Usability and operation (B.5.3).

$$B.5 = 0.33 \cdot (B.5.1 + B.5.2) + 0.34 \cdot B.5.3 \le 100$$

Performance class:	Low		Acceptable		Good	Excel	lent
B.5 thresholds ($t_{B.5}$):	0 ≤	t _{B.5, Acceptable}		t _{B.5, Good}	d t _{B.5, Ex}	t _{B.5, Excellent}	
		<u>></u> 4	40	≥ 60	≥ {	35	

B.5.1, B.5.2 and B.5.3 are evaluated using a similar approach, i.e.

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- (A) Non-compliance with EN 17210 results in a zero score
- (B) Basic compliance with EN 17210 results in a minimum score
- (C) Compliance with EN 17210 using the performance criteria specified in TR 17621 (or more stringent) gives a higher score
- (D) Meeting (C) and adopting enhanced design features from beyond best-practice guidance – highest score

B.5.1 Ease of Circulation: evaluates the extent to which the project design enables the movement of different users through, around and between spaces and environments without barriers and without compromise to their safety and experience.

Focuses on evaluation of the adequacy of entrances, horizontal circulation (e.g. across a building floor) and vertical circulation (i.e. access to other floors).

B.5.2 Safe Wayfinding: evaluates the extent to which the design conveys spatial information to users to help them identify and comprehend the various elements within the environment around them.

Focuses on whether:

- sufficient visual contrast to ensure users can easily identify and comprehend the various elements within the environment
- finishes are safe, clear and void of elements or patterns which may create confusion to users
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B.3, B.4, B.5

The assessment is ideally conducted at building level, and in the case of a neighbourhood/urban level, one or more representative buildings can be selected for the assessment. If using several buildings, calculate a weighted average score based on their prevalence.

Can be evaluated for newbuild or renovation projects

Applicable to residential and non-residential

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KPI ¹	Indicator	Weight (W _{B.i.j})
Improving building resilience	Hazard characterisation (B.3.1)	0.35
to extreme events (B.3)	Hazard resilient design (B.3.2)	0.35
	Consequence mitigation (B.3.3)	0.3
Ensuring occupant health, comfort	Indoor acoustic environment (B.4.1)	0.25
and wellbeing (B.4)	Lighting environment (B.4.2)	0.25
	Thermal comfort (B.4.3)	0.25
	Promotion of physical movement (B.4.4)	0.25
Improving accessibility of the	Ease of circulation (B.5.1)	0.33
built environment for everyone (B.5)	Safe wayfinding (B.5.2)	0.33
	Usability and operation (B.5.3)	0.34





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