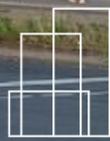


# MICROSHADE® IN DGNB-CERTIFIED CONSTRUCTION



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# Introduction to DGNB - Germany



**DGNB**, (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Nachhaltiges Bauen), is an internationally recognized certification scheme that evaluates and promotes sustainability in construction and urban planning. The DGNB Certification Scheme is designed to ensure that buildings and urban areas meet high standards of environmental, economic, and social sustainability.

The DGNB Certification considers various aspects of a building or an urban area, including energy efficiency, materials and resource consumption, health, and comfort for users as well as integration into the surrounding environment. The certification is based on a comprehensive assessment, where a number of criteria and parameters are assessed, and points are awarded in relation to how well the building or urban area meets these criteria.

The benefits of achieving a DGNB certification include recognition of sustainable practices, improved market value and viability of buildings, reduced energy consumption and environmental impact, and increased user comfort and well-being.

## DGNB Manuals

The DGNB Certification system has been localized and translated into multiple languages to align with the specific requirements of each host country. In this manual we will focus on the Germany manuals.

- **DGNB 2023 Germany (DE)**
- **DGNB 2020 Germany (DE)**
- **DGNB 2018 Germany (DE)**

In the end you will find an overview of which criteria MicroShade® effects for the manuals stated.

## DGNB CERTIFICATE

To obtain the DGNB classification for its construction, points must be earned within the 36 criteria to meet the minimum requirement. There are four certificate levels:

<b>Bronze:</b>	35 % Total Performance -- % In each Quality
<b>Silver:</b>	50 % Total Performance 35 % In each Quality
<b>Gold:</b>	65 % Total Performance 50 % In each Quality
<b>Platin:</b>	80 % Total Performance 65 % In each Quality

## DGNB – MANUAL

The manual covers new construction and extensive renovations within the following building types:

- Office and Administration Buildings
- Educational Buildings
- Residential Buildings
- Consumer Market Buildings
- Shopping Centre Buildings
- Department stores
- Logistics Buildings
- Production Buildings
- Hotel Buildings
- Assembly Buildings
- Health Care Buildings

# DGNB-criteria

The DGNB certification follows a structured framework consisting of criteria and sub-criteria categorized into six main areas. Each main area has specific evaluation points assigned to its criteria, and when applicable, checklist points are provided for sub-criteria. These checklist points contribute to the final evaluation points for each criterion.

The evaluation results are presented as a percentage of the maximum achievable points. Based on the percentage achieved, a building is awarded either a silver, gold, or platinum certification, indicating its level of sustainability and performance.

It's important to acknowledge that the specific criteria, sub-criteria, and evaluation points may vary depending on the version and language of the DGNB certification being used. There-fore, it is essential to refer to the relevant DGNB documentation packages and guide-lines provided by MicroShade A/S or the DGNB itself for accurate and up-to-date information.

## AWARDS

The awards are DGNB Diamond and the DGNB Climate Positive Award. The DGNB Diamond is an architectural quality award. The DGNB Climate positive is awarded to buildings that are demonstrably operated in at least a climate-neutral manner based on their real consumption data and thus distinguishes buildings that are already making a positive contribution to the climate and energy transition through their operation.

## DGNB DIAMOND



In 2016, the DGNB Diamond was introduced as an additional award recognizing architectural quality. The DGNB Diamant assessment process involves two phases evaluated by a panel of expert judges. Points are awarded for each phase, contributing to the overall DGNB Diamond recognition.

## DGNB – Focus POINTS

DGNB offers a series of focus points where an intensified focus is placed to enhance quality in building design. Bonus points are given within circular economy and SDGs if over fulfilment within a criterion. Furthermore, can innovation provide alternative points.

### Categories

- People as a focal point
- Circular Economy
- Design quality
- Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- Climate Protection
- Innovation



# MicroShade contribution to **DGNB-certification**

MicroShade® has the potential to contribute to several criteria in DGNB certification and can positively influence the awards and bonuses in the certification process.

## **Calculation guidelines and transparent file sharing makes it easy to compare MicroShade® in your project.**

We have developed a comprehensive library of guidelines and files to ensure the correct and effective use of our products throughout all phases of construction. This extensive resource is freely available for download and utilization in your project. By providing these guidelines and files, MicroShade aims to promote good design practices and facilitate well-balanced decision-making from the beginning to the completion of your project.

## **MicroShade® - Product Environment Declaration**

MicroShade provides an Environmental Product Declaration (EPD) that allows for a comparative analysis of MicroShade's product in relation to other similar products, specifically assessing their environmental performance. The EPD serves as a transparent and trustworthy source of information, as it undergoes independent third-party verification, ensuring its reliability.

# DGNB - Documentation packages

At [MicroShade](#), you will find our DGNB documentation package, which contain relevant information for your DGNB project. Please note that the documentation package included relevant information for DGNB Germany version 2018, 2020 and 2023.

The Documentation packages can contain:

- EPD
- Technical User Manual
- Weighted View out Calculation
- Content of declaration
- Passive Design Concept

The documentation also provides calculation guidelines to support calculating thermal comfort and daylighting. The guidelines can be found on our website under the tab "[FOR PROFESSIONALS](#)".

MicroShade also provides the simulation tool, SimShade, which can advise industry professionals in glazing system compositions and shading solutions, ensuring informed decisions in the early design phase.

## PACKAGES – DOCUMENTATION

On our website, you can find the DGNB documentation package. The package includes materials for DGNB 2018, 2020 and 2023. The documentation packages are available for download on our website: [www.microshade.com](http://www.microshade.com).

## ENV1.2 – DOCUMENTATION

There are no materials that are prohibited in the DGNB, but there are products where documentation of ingredients is required if the product is to be part of a DGNB-certified building - in the case of MicroShade® is no substance needed to be declared.

You can find more information in our Content of declaration in the documentation packages at [MicroShade](#).

# MicroShade's Contribution

## DGNB 2023 DE

This list provides an overview of the criteria and the associated knowledge and product details offered by MicroShade in DGNB 2023 DE. It is important to note that the specific criteria in the DGNB may vary between versions.

CRITERIUM	What can MicroShade® do, and what do we provide?
<b>ENV 1.1</b> Building life cycle assessment	An EPD on the MicroShade® is available which offers an analysis of the environmental performance of our product. More Information is in our documentation packages.
<b>ENV 1.2</b> – Local environmental impact	The MicroShade® has no material to declare. More Information is in our Declaration of content in the documentation packages.
<b>ECO 1.1</b> Life cycle cost	The MicroShade® offers a life span equal to a window system, eliminating the need to replace the shading device. Furthermore, can an early price estimate to an LCC be taken directly from MicroShade online simulation tool ( <a href="#">SimShade</a> ).
<b>SOC 1.1</b> Thermal comfort	MicroShade provides thermal comfort guidelines for a large variety of building simulation tools. The guidelines provide instructions to calculate a building's thermal comfort, promoting health and well-being at work and home. <b>Guidelines:</b> <a href="#">IES-VE</a> , <a href="#">BE18</a> , <a href="#">IDA ICE</a> , <a href="#">Ladybug Tools</a> . The guidelines are on our website <a href="#">MicroShade</a> .

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**SOC 1.4.1 / 1.4.2** Availability of daylight for the entire building / permanent workstations

MicroShade provides daylight calculation guidelines for a large variety of building simulation tools. The guidelines provide instructions to calculate a building's daylight, promoting health and well-being at work and home.

**Guidelines:** [Climate Studio](#), [Light Stanza](#), [Velux Daylight Visualizer](#), [IES-VE](#), [DIVA](#), [Ladybug Tools](#).

The guidelines are on our website [MicroShade](#).

**SOC 1.4.3** Visual contact with the outside as per DIN EN 17037

**SOC 1.4** Visual Comfort

MicroShade® provides a superior view to the outside as the shading is passive and always allows visual contact to the outside.

**SOC 1.4.4** Absence of glare in daylight

MicroShade® is not directly a glare protection shading device, however studies have proven that MicroShade® has a positive effect. Furthermore, can MicroShade A/S provide BSDF files for a large variety of glazing and shading systems to use in glare simulation.

**Guidelines:** [Daylight Guideline](#)

**SOC 1.4.6** Exposure to daylight as per DIN EN 17037

MicroShade® always provides plenty of daylight due to unique design to shade while maintaining the daylight and view out.

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**TEC 1.3** Quality of the building envelope

The MicroShade® can contribute to the quality of the climate screen as the product does not change the U-Value of the window system.

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**TEC 1.4** Use and integration of building technology

**SOC 1.4.1** Passive systems

The MicroShade® is an element of a passive design concept designed to reduce the primary energy demand.

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**TEC 1.6** Ease of recovery and recycling

The MicroShade® do not complicate the dismantling and recycling process as MicroShade® is burned off in the recycling of the glass.

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# MicroShade's Contribution

## DGNB 2020 DE

This list provides an overview of the criteria and the associated knowledge and product details offered by MicroShade in DGNB 2020 DE. It is important to note that the specific criteria in the DGNB may vary between versions.

CRITERIUM	What can MicroShade® do, and what do we provide?
<b>PRO 2.4</b> User communication	MicroShade provides a sustainability and technical user manual. More Information is in our technical user manual in the documentation packages.
<b>ENV 1.1</b> Building life cycle assessment	An EPD on the MicroShade® is available which offers an analysis of the environmental performance of our product. More Information is in our documentation packages.
<b>ENV 1.2</b> – Local environmental impact	The MicroShade® has no material to declare. More Information is in our Declaration of content in the documentation packages.
<b>ECO 1.1</b> Life cycle cost	The MicroShade® offers a life span equal to a window system, eliminating the need to replace the shading device. Furthermore, can an early price estimate to an LCC be taken directly from MicroShade online simulation tool ( <a href="#">SimShade</a> ).
<b>SOC 1.1</b> Thermal comfort	MicroShade provides thermal comfort guidelines for a large variety of building simulation tools. The guidelines provide instructions to calculate a building's thermal comfort, promoting health and well-being at work and home. <b>Guidelines:</b> <a href="#">IES-VE</a> , <a href="#">BE18</a> , <a href="#">IDA ICE</a> , <a href="#">Ladybug Tools</a> . The guidelines are on our website <a href="#">MicroShade</a> .
<b>SOC 1.4</b> Visual Comfort	<b>SOC 1.4.1 / 1.4.2</b> Availability of daylight for the entire building / permanent workstations  MicroShade provides daylight calculation guidelines for a large variety of building simulation tools. The guidelines provide instructions to calculate a building's daylight, promoting health and well-being at work and home. <b>Guidelines:</b> <a href="#">Climate Studio</a> , <a href="#">Light Stanza</a> , <a href="#">Velux Daylight Visualizer</a> , <a href="#">IES-VE</a> , <a href="#">DIVA</a> , <a href="#">Ladybug Tools</a> . The guidelines are on our website <a href="#">MicroShade</a> .

<b>SOC 1.4</b> Visual Comfort	<p><b>SOC 1.4.3</b> Visual contact with the outside</p> <p>MicroShade® provides a superior view to the outside as the shading is passive and always allows visual contact to the outside.</p> <p><b>SOC 1.4.4</b> Absence of glare in daylight</p> <p>MicroShade® is not directly a glare protection shading device, however studies have proven that MicroShade® has a positive effect. Furthermore, can MicroShade A/S provide BSDF files for a large variety of glazing and shading systems to use in glare simulation.</p> <p><b>Guidelines:</b> <a href="#">Daylight Guideline</a></p> <p><b>SOC 1.4.6</b> Daylight color rendering</p> <p>MicroShade® provides excellent color rendering with RA&gt;90. MicroShade provide an online simulation tool (SimShade® <a href="#">SimShade</a>) where the color rendering of different window build up can be calculated.</p>
<b>TEC 1.1</b> Fire Safety	<p>The MicroShade® can contribute to fire protection and safety as the product does not contain PVC. More Information is found in our Declaration of content in documentation packages.</p>
<b>TEC 1.3</b> Quality of the building envelope	<p>The MicroShade® can contribute to the quality of the climate screen as the product does not change the U-Value of the window system.</p>
<b>TEC 1.4</b> Use and integration of building technology	<p><b>SOC 1.4.1</b> Passive systems</p> <p>The MicroShade® is an element of a passive design concept designed to reduce the primary energy demand. Furthermore, is it in alignment with DGNB's focus on innovation. More Information is found in documentation packages.</p>
<b>TEC 1.5</b> Ease of cleaning building components	<p>The MicroShade® is placed in the window construction and does not require special cleaning or maintenance.</p>
<b>TEC 1.6</b> Ease of recovery and recycling	<p>The MicroShade® do not complicate the dismantling and recycling process as MicroShade® is burned off in the recycling of the glass.</p>

# MicroShade's Contribution

## DGNB 2018 DE

This list provides an overview of the criteria and the associated knowledge and product details offered by MicroShade in DGNB 2018 DE. It is important to note that the specific criteria in the DGNB may vary between versions.

CRITERIUM	What can MicroShade® do, and what do we provide?
<b>PRO 2.4</b> User communication	MicroShade provides a sustainability and technical user manual. More Information is in our technical user manual in the documentation packages.
<b>ENV 1.1</b> Building life cycle assessment	An EPD on the MicroShade® is available which offers an analysis of the environmental performance of our product. More Information is in our documentation packages.
<b>ENV 1.2</b> Environmentally hazardous substances	The MicroShade® has no material to declare. More Information is in our Declaration of content in the documentation packages.
<b>ECO 1.1</b> Total economy	The MicroShade® offers a life span equal to a window system, eliminating the need to replace the shading device. Furthermore, can an early price estimate to an LCC be taken directly from MicroShade online simulation tool ( <a href="#">SimShade</a> ).
<b>SOC 1.1</b> Thermal comfort	MicroShade provides thermal comfort guidelines for a large variety of building simulation tools. The guidelines provide instructions to calculate a building's thermal comfort, promoting health and well-being at work and home. <b>Guidelines:</b> <a href="#">IES-VE</a> , <a href="#">BE18</a> , <a href="#">IDA ICE</a> , <a href="#">Ladybug Tools</a> . The guidelines are on our website <a href="#">MicroShade</a> .
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**SOC 1.4.3** Visual contact with the outside

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**Guidelines:** [Daylight Guideline](#)

**SOC 1.4** Visual Comfort

**SOC 1.4.6** Daylight color rendering

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**SOC 1.4.7** Exposure to daylight

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**TEC 1.3** Quality of the building envelope

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**TEC 1.4** Use and integration of building technology

**SOC 1.4.1** Passive systems

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**TEC 1.5** Ease of cleaning building components

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**TEC 1.6** Ease of recovery and recycling

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