

Kitchen Remodel

Consider the following green remodeling options in a kitchen remodel.

Site

- Recycle Job Site Construction and Demolition Waste
- Salvage Reusable Materials

Plumbing

- Insulate Hot and Cold Water Pipes
- Retrofit all Faucets with Flow Reducers
- Install Water Filtration Units at Faucets
- Install On-Demand Hot Water Circulation Pump

Electrical

- Install Compact Fluorescent Light Bulbs
- Install Lighting Controls
- Install High Efficiency Ceiling Fans with CFLs
- Install Insulation-Compatible, Air-Tight Recessed Lighting Fixtures

Appliances

- Install Energy Star® Dishwasher
- Install Washing Machine with Water and Energy Conservation Features
- Install Energy Star® Refrigerator
- Install Built-In Recycling Center

Insulation

- Upgrade Wall and Ceiling Insulation to Exceed Title 24 Requirement
- Install Recycled-Content Fiberglass Insulation with No Added Formaldehyde
- Use Advanced Infiltration Reduction Practices
- Use Cellulose and Other Alternative Insulation
- Install Floor Insulation Over Crawl Space

Windows

- Install Energy-Efficient Windows
- Install Low Solar Heat Gain Coefficient Window Film on Single-Glazing

Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC)

- Use Duct Mastic on all Duct Joints
- Vent Range Hood to the Outside
- Install Sealed Combustion Units
- Install High Efficiency Filter

Natural Heating and Cooling

- Install Overhangs or Awnings over South Facing Windows
- Plant Deciduous Shade Trees on the West and South Sides

Indoor Air Quality / Finishes

- Use Low/No-VOC Paint
- Use Low VOC, Water-Based Wood Finishes
- Use Low/No VOC Adhesives
- Use Exterior Grade Plywood for Interior Uses
- Use FSC Certified Materials for Interior Finish
- Seal all Exposed Particleboard or MDF
- Using Finger Jointed or Recycled-Content Trim
- Use Salvaged Building Materials for Interior Finish
- Use Engineered Sheet Goods with No Added Formaldehyde

Flooring

- Select FSC Certified Wood Flooring
- Use Rapidly Renewable Flooring Materials
- Use Recycled-Content Ceramic Tile
- Install Natural Linoleum in Place of Vinyl
- Use Exposed Concrete as Finished Floor

