

# HOW TO CERTIFY YOUR MUNICIPALITY

1

Designate an elected official or municipal employee to register your community online.

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Pass a resolution that indicates your intent to participate and which establishes a Sustainability Team.

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Complete actions and track them on your Municipal Dashboard.

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Meet requirements for Bronze or Silver certification, and submit your progress through your Municipality Dashboard.

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Need help? Contact us at [info@sustainablect.org](mailto:info@sustainablect.org)

## OTHER WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

*Individuals:* Volunteer to help your town implement Sustainable CT actions and achieve certification.

*Businesses:* Become a program sponsor.

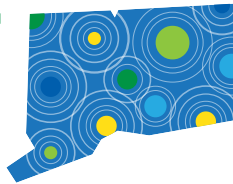
*Colleges & Universities:* Support your community through internship, research, and collaboration opportunities.

*Non-profits:* Partner with towns to carry out Sustainable CT actions.

*Sponsor us:* Support thriving communities.



**Sustainable CT**  
Local Actions. Statewide Impact.



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A flexible, voluntary menu of actions, designed for towns by towns. Register your community for access to resources, including funding, to carry out well-defined sustainability best practices. Together we can create a healthier, more resilient and efficient, thriving and Sustainable CT.

Get certified.

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# TAKE ACTION

## 2018 Certification

Complete at least 1 action in each of the 9 categories.

### Silver

Successfully complete actions totaling 400 points

### Bronze

Successfully complete actions totaling 200 points

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#### Inclusive & Equitable Community Impacts

Optimize for Equity	10-50
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#### Well-Stewarded Land & Natural Resources

Provide Watershed Education	5-10
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Create a Watershed Management Plan	10-30
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Engage in Watershed Protection & Restoration	15-30
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Develop an Open Space Plan	10
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Create a Natural Resource & Wildlife Inventory	10
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Provide Education on Water Conservation	5
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Manage for Drought & Municipal Water Use	5-15
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Implement Low Impact Development	5-45
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Facilitate Invasive Species Education & Management	5-15
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Implement Green Grounds & Maintenance Program	10-25
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Manage Woodlands & Forests	10
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#### Efficient Physical Infrastructure & Operations

Reduce Energy Use Across All Municipal Buildings	10-50
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Increase Use of Renewable Energy in Municipal Buildings	10-50
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Achieve High Energy Performance for Individual Buildings	5-100
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Develop a Municipal Energy Plan	10-20
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Manage Municipal Fleets	10
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Benchmark & Track Energy Use	5-10
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Install Efficient Street Lights	5-20
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Implement a Community Energy Campaign	5
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#### Vibrant & Creative Cultural Ecosystems

Map Tourism & Cultural Assets	5-15
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Provide an Arts & Culture Program for Youth	20
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Develop a Creative Placemaking Plan	10-15
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Support Arts & Creative Culture	10-20
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#### Dynamic & Resilient Planning

Integrate Sustainability into Plan of Conservation & Development & Zoning	20-85
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Assess Climate Vulnerability	15
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Develop Agriculture-Friendly Practices	5-25
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Inventory & Assess Historic Resources	5-20
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Adapt Permitting Process to Promote Sustainable Development	5-20
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Streamline Solar Permitting	10
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#### Clean & Diverse Transportation Systems & Choices

Implement Complete Streets	5-100
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Promote Effective Parking Management	10-45
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Encourage Smart Commuting	10
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Support Zero Emission Vehicle Deployment	5-20
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Promote Public Transit & Other Mobility Strategies	5-60
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#### Strategic & Inclusive Public Services

Hold a Sustainability Event	5-25
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Provide Effective Community Communications	15
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Train Municipal Commissions	5
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Encourage Healthy & Sustainable Food Networks	10-35
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Report Materials Management Data & Reduce Waste	5-55
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Implement Save Money & Reduce Trash Program	5-40
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Recycle Additional Materials	10-40
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Develop a Food Waste Reduction Campaign	10
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Conduct Health Impact Assessments	5-25
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Encourage Smoke-Free & Tobacco-Free Public Places	10-45
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#### Thriving Local Economies

Support Redevelopment of Brownfield Sites	5-50
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Implement Sustainable Purchasing	5-25
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Inventory & Promote Local Retail Options	10-30
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Provide Resources & Supports to Local Businesses	5-25
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Promote Sustainable Workforce Development	5-25
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Participate in & Promote the C-PACE Program	5-15
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#### Healthy, Efficient & Diverse Housing

Design & Implement a Housing Needs Assessment	10-35
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Grow Sustainable, Affordable Housing Options	10-50
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Benchmark Energy & Water Use for Multifamily Housing	5-15
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#### Innovation Action

Implement Your Own Sustainability Action	5-20
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