

# 2022 EPEAT Continuous Monitoring Round Schedule



## Overview

EPEAT® is a comprehensive voluntary sustainability Type 1 ecolabel that helps purchasers identify more sustainable technology products and services. Central to EPEAT are conformity assurance activities that meet the technical rigor and credibility needs of the institutional purchasers who rely upon it. The EPEAT Program is owned and operated by the Global Electronics Council (GEC), a mission driven non-profit working to create a world of only sustainable technology products and services.

The EPEAT Program ensures the veracity of EPEAT-registered products through an ongoing surveillance process known as Continuous Monitoring. Continuous Monitoring activities occur throughout the year and test the ability of Participating Manufacturers to prove conformance with EPEAT Criteria on an ongoing basis. All EPEAT-registered products in all product categories and all Participating Manufacturers are subject to Continuous Monitoring.

Continuous Monitoring activities include Investigations planned by the EPEAT Program and implemented by GEC-approved Conformity Assurance Bodies (CABs) within discrete timeframes (called Continuous Monitoring Rounds). Participating Manufacturers are responsible for participating in these Rounds, cooperating with their CABs, and providing the necessary documentation to show conformance with EPEAT Criteria.

## 2022 Schedule

The following pages contain the 2022 Schedule of EPEAT Continuous Monitoring Rounds for each EPEAT technology product and service category. Each Round has specific timeframes for:

- **Investigation:** When GEC-approved CABs actively investigate Participating Manufacturers' conformity to EPEAT criteria. In any year, the EPEAT Program may direct CABs to implement the following activities:
  - Level 0 Investigations: CABs review publicly available information without the Participating Manufacturer's involvement.
  - Level 1 Investigations: CABs review evidence provided by Participating Manufacturers.
  - Level 2 Investigations: CABs facilitate laboratory evaluation of products, where products are acquired without the Participating Manufacturer's involvement, where possible.
- **Corrective Action:** When Participating Manufacturers take action to correct nonconformances and maintain accuracy of the EPEAT Registry.
- **Outcomes Report:** When the EPEAT Program publishes an Outcomes Report containing results of investigations. Signifies the end of the Round.

GEC is committed to transparency, and to this end, this 2022 Schedule of EPEAT Continuous Monitoring Rounds and the subsequent results are made publicly available. GEC believes that this public disclosure of outcomes (in Outcomes Reports) is an incentive for Participating Manufacturers to maintain accurate declarations. This annual schedule is also made available to both Participating Manufacturers and GEC-approved CABs to facilitate their resource planning for the year. **This schedule was revised on February 28, 2022 to reflect permanent extensions to both the Deliberation and Reporting Phases of Continuous Monitoring Rounds, as per updates to *EPEAT Conformity Assurance Implementation Manual* (published on February 15, 2022).**



