

Be_Hold NA Storage



Environmental Product Declaration

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Product Category Rule

BIFMA PCR for Storage, UNCPC 3812
EN 15804+A2



Functional Unit

1 unit of storage with 0.15 m³ of storage capacity, maintained for a period of 10 years produced in North America.



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Note that the configuration assessed is the picture in the middle.

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Declaration Number	EPD 11013
Declared Product and Functional Unit	1 unit of storage with 0.15 m ³ of storage capacity, maintained for a period of 10 years produced in North America
Reference PCR and Version Number	BIFMA PCR for Storage: UNCPC 3812, v2
Product's intended Application and Use	Commercial Furniture
Product RSL	10 years
Markets of Applicability	North America
Date of Issue	12/26/24
Period of Validity	5 years from date of issue
EPD Type	Product Specific
Intended Audience	Business-to-Business, Business-to-Consumer
Range of Dataset Variability	N/A
EPD Scope	Cradle to Grave
Year of reported manufacturer primary data	2022
LCA Software and Version Number	Sphera LCA FE (GaBi) 10.9
LCI Database and Version Number	Sphera MLC (GaBi) 2023.1
LCIA Methodology and Version Number	IPCC AR6 + TRACI 2.1
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This declaration was independently verified in accordance with ISO 14040 (2006), ISO 14044 (2006), 14025 (2006), EN 15804+A2, and BIFMA PCR for Storage: UNCPC 3812, which serves as the core PCR. <input type="checkbox"/> Internal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> External	External review conducted by: Thomas Gloria, Industrial Ecology Consultants 
This life cycle assessment was conducted in accordance with ISO 14044, EN 15804+A2, and the reference PCR by:	WAP Sustainability Consulting
This life cycle assessment was independently verified in accordance with ISO 14044, EN 15804+A2, and the reference PCR by:	Thomas Gloria, Industrial Ecology Consultants 
<p>Limitations: Environmental declarations from different programs (ISO 14025) may not be comparable. The PCR this EPD was based on was written to determine the potential environmental impacts of a furniture storage product from cradle-to-grave. It was not written to support comparative assertions. EPDs based on different PCRs, or different calculation models, may not be comparable. When attempting to compare EPDs or life cycle impacts of products from different companies, the user should be aware of the uncertainty in the final results, due to and not limited to, the practitioner's assumptions, the source of the data used in the study, and the specifics of the product modeled. Additional information on the life cycle assessment can be found by contacting Haworth directly.</p>	

Company Description

Haworth strives to be a sustainable corporation. We believe operating a sustainable corporation will allow us to help people do great things for generations to come. We are on a journey—one that promotes longevity and delivers value to the people, communities, and planet that we serve. At our core, we are a family—and we weather challenges together. Haworth is built upon a culture that empowers members and all stakeholders to make positive changes. We strengthen existing partnerships and build new ones, while empowering our members and leveraging our global reach, as we continue our drive toward making positive changes for the people and communities, we serve all over the world.

Product Description

Be_Hold is the complete office storage solution, offering a variety of options from cabinets to credenzas and bookcases for any space. The expansive offering includes office drawer storage, pedestals, lateral files, credenzas, storage cabinets, upper storage, personal storage towers, bookshelves for offices, wardrobes, and office drawer storage. The number of components allows for a wide range of possible configurations. The Glue-and-dowel construction ensures lasting performance. Be_Hold is manufactured at a facility in Teutopolis, IL. This product can be easily disassembled at the end of its useful life. Components are identified with ISO recycling symbols and material information to assist in the recycling effort, where practical. Haworth will take back Be_Hold storage products after their useful life and recycle the components.

Be_Hold is a storage product that falls in the category of storage device with retractable storage areas.

Results were calculated for a single configuration of the storage product (BLAK-1636-TTBPWYR). This is considered to be a high selling, also known as “typical,” configuration of the Be_Hold storage products. Other styles of Be_Hold that are represented by the assessed product have the same basic structure and material composition but can exclude certain components or consist of different materials that are believed to have impacts within 10% of this representative configuration.

The storage product evaluated consists of a 3-high lateral file storage unit that is 16” deep, 36” wide, and 42” high. The unit is made of thermally fused laminate case and front, with black composite wood for the back. The drawers feature a wing pull with locking drawers and regular close. The composition of the storage product is provided below, with a total product weight of 73.1 kg, a storage volume of 0.396 m³, and total packaging weight of 1.9 kg. To meet the functional unit, 0.38 units of Be_Hold are required with a reference flow of 27.7 kg.

Material	[kg]	[%]	Recycled Content [%]	Resource Type
Product				
Thermally Fused Laminate	67.7	93%	84%	Recycled, Non-renewable
Steel	4.9	7%	0%	Virgin Non-renewable
Other	0.5	<1%%	0%	Virgin non-renewable
Packaging				
Cardboard	1.6	85%	47%*	Recycled, Virgin Renewable
PE	0.3	15%	0%	Virgin Non-renewable

*Recycled content cardboard packaging is an average value associated with background LCI datasets

Additional Environmental Information

This product has the following certifications:

- [GREENGUARD Gold Certified](#)
- [BIFMA LEVEL 3 Certified](#)

At the end of its useful life, manage Haworth products correctly in accordance with all applicable regulations for effective end-of-life management, including recycling, disposal, or incineration. Improper management may result in the release of chemicals that may represent a risk to the environment and human health & safety.

Functional Unit

The functional unit is 1 unit of storage with 0.15 m³ of storage capacity, maintained for a period of 10 years produced in North America. The products under study have a 10-year service life under ANSI/BIFMA X5.9 and therefore do not require replacements to meet the functional unit. The storage capacity of each storage product was calculated in accordance with the method outlined by section 4 of the PCR.

LCA Stages



Materials Acquisition & Pre-Processing | Includes raw material extraction, pre-processing of materials, and transport to production.

Production | Includes component and final assembly manufacturing operations, both by Haworth and upstream suppliers, as well as intermediate transport and packaging requirements.

Distribution, Storage, and Use | Includes an average distribution to customers. No additional storage is required. There are no impacts associated with use of the product.

End-of-Life | Includes transport to and disposal of product and packaging based on average US recycling rates.

LCA Information

General principles of allocation were based on ISO 14040/44. Where possible, allocation was avoided. At the part supplier production facilities, manufacturing inputs and outputs are allocated to co-products by mass because of the use of secondary datasets and no primary data available for part suppliers. At Haworth assembly facilities, manufacturing inputs and outputs are allocated to co-products based on economic value. This choice was deemed the most appropriate at Haworth facilities due to the availability of data on economic value. As a default, Sphera Managed LCA Content datasets use a physical mass basis for allocation.

Throughout the study recycled materials were accounted for via the cut-off method. Under this method, impacts and benefits associated with the previous life of a raw material from recycled stock are excluded from the system boundary and includes the impacts associated with reprocessing and preparation of recycled materials. Additionally, impacts and benefits associated with secondary functions of materials at end of life are also excluded.

Production of capital goods, infrastructure, and personnel-related activities are excluded, as required by the BIFMA PCR for tables.

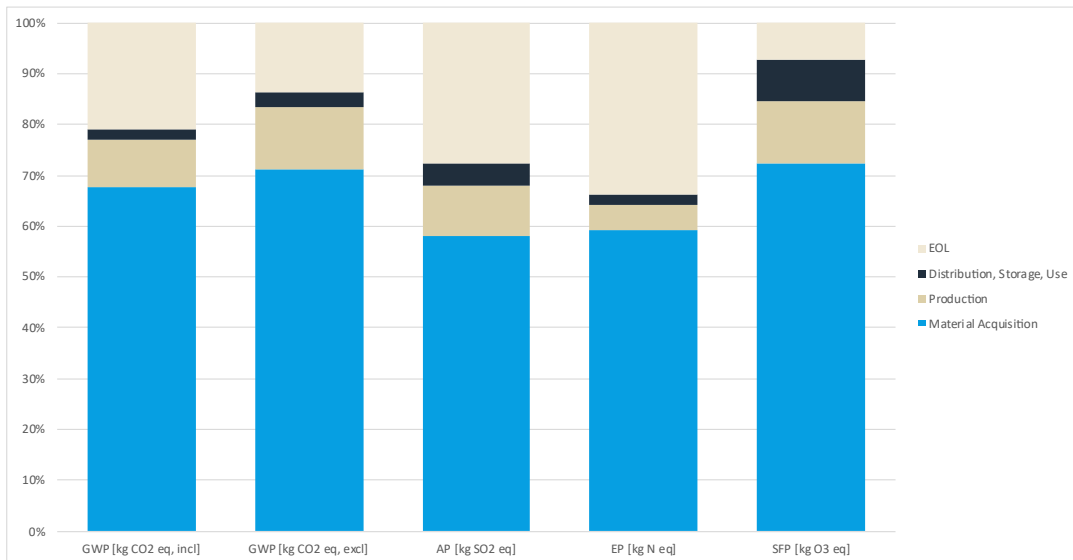
LCA Results

All results are given per functional unit, which is 1 unit of storage with 0.15 m³ of storage capacity, maintained for a 10-year period. Results are reported separately by life cycle stage per the BIFMA PCR for Storage. It is discouraged to use results for Material Acquisition and Production without considering the results for End of Life.

Impact Category	Material Acquisition	Production	Distribution, Storage, Use	End of Life	Total
<i>IPCC AR6 LCIA Impacts</i>					
Global Warming Potential, incl biogenic [kg CO ₂ eq]	9.68E+01	1.30E+01	3.27E+00	2.98E+01	1.43E+02
Global Warming Potential, excl biogenic [kg CO ₂ eq]	8.23E+01	1.42E+01	3.27E+00	1.59E+01	1.16E+02
<i>TRACI 2.1 LCIA Impacts (North America)</i>					
Acidification Potential [kg SO ₂ eq]	2.02E-01	3.37E-02	1.51E-02	9.64E-02	3.47E-01
Eutrophication Potential [kg N eq]	3.84E-02	3.23E-03	1.34E-03	2.20E-02	6.49E-02
Ozone Depletion Potential [kg CFC 11 eq]	8.44E-08	4.69E-13	8.42E-15	2.75E-14	8.44E-08
Smog Formation Potential [kg O ₃ eq]	3.17E+00	5.31E-01	3.53E-01	3.21E-01	4.37E+00
<i>Resource Use Indicators</i>					
Renewable primary resources used as an energy carrier [MJ]	9.57E+02	2.05E+01	1.83E+00	1.06E+00	9.80E+02
Renewable primary resources with energy content used as a material [MJ]	0	8.33E+00	0	0	8.33E+00
Renewable primary resources, total [MJ]	9.57E+02	2.88E+01	1.83E+00	1.06E+00	9.89E+02
Non-renewable primary resources used as an energy carrier [MJ]	5.32E+02	2.02E+02	4.59E+01	1.02E+01	7.89E+02
Non-renewable primary resources with energy content used as a material [MJ]	5.32E+02	2.02E+02	4.59E+01	1.02E+01	7.89E+02
Non-renewable primary resources, total [MJ]	1.06E+03	4.03E+02	9.18E+01	2.04E+01	1.58E+03
Recovered energy [MJ]	0	4.89E-02	0	1.97E+01	1.97E+01
Net fresh water usage [kg]*	1.66E+00	4.85E-02	6.27E-03	2.51E-02	1.74E+00

*Water usage from electricity generation is included

The chart below presents the relative contribution of each life cycle stage to the TRACI 2.1 and IPCC environmental impact categories by life cycle stage per the BIFMA PCR for Storage.



Additionally, results have been calculated using LCIA methodologies for core environmental impact categories specified in EN 15804+A2, as well as LCI indicators required by EN15804+A2. Results are reported per functional unit. For this product, 0.38 units of product is required to meet the functional unit. The results are relative expressions and do not predict impacts on category endpoints, the exceeding of thresholds, safety margins, or risks. It is discouraged to use results for A1-A3 without considering the results for C1-C4.

	Product Stage	Construction Stage			Use Stage	End of Life				Benefits and Loads Beyond the System Boundary
	A1-A3	A4	A5	B1-B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D	
Climate Change - total [kg CO2 eq.]	1.10E+02	3.27E+00	1.45E-01	0	0	7.13E-02	-1.81E+00	-1.06E+01	-1.99E+00	
Climate Change, fossil [kg CO2 eq.]	9.64E+01	3.27E+00	-2.55E-01	0	0	7.12E-02	2.51E-01	4.19E-01	-1.99E+00	
Climate Change, biogenic [kg CO2 eq.]	1.34E+01	0	4.96E-02	0	0	0	-2.06E+00	-1.11E+01	0	
Climate Change, land use and land use change [kg CO2 eq.]	9.68E-02	0	-3.04E-01	0	0	8.11E-05	-6.05E-06	1.47E-04	-1.04E-03	
Ozone depletion [kg CFC-11 eq.]	5.93E-08	3.71E-03	4.63E-06	0	0	8.74E-15	3.42E-13	9.41E-13	-5.63E-13	
Acidification [Mole of H+ eq.]	2.18E-01	4.00E-13	1.56E-14	0	0	2.14E-04	3.66E-03	4.79E-02	-6.47E-03	
Eutrophication, freshwater [kg P eq.]	8.92E-04	1.62E-02	3.18E-04	0	0	3.50E-07	-7.75E-10	1.06E-04	-4.24E-05	
Eutrophication, marine [kg N eq.]	8.20E-02	1.60E-05	4.49E-06	0	0	1.05E-04	1.65E-03	2.27E-02	-1.49E-03	
Eutrophication, terrestrial [Mole of N eq.]	6.65E-01	8.18E-03	6.65E-05	0	0	1.17E-03	1.99E-02	2.12E-01	-1.42E-02	
Photochemical ozone formation, human health [kg NMVOC eq.]	2.03E-01	9.02E-02	1.39E-03	0	0	2.09E-04	4.22E-03	2.30E-02	-4.57E-03	
Resource use, mineral and metals [kg Sb eq.]*	2.76E-05	1.67E-02	1.68E-04	0	0	4.68E-09	3.36E-09	2.31E-08	-6.12E-06	
Resource use, fossils [MJ]*	1.69E+03	2.14E-07	5.33E-10	0	0	9.35E-01	2.71E+00	6.26E+00	-2.73E+01	
Water use [m ³ world equiv.]*	5.59E+01	4.28E+01	1.40E-01	0	0	4.16E-03	5.30E-01	4.32E-01	-3.01E-01	
Use of renewable primary energy (PERE) [MJ]	9.86E+02	1.83E+00	1.32E-02	0	0	4.00E-02	2.47E-01	7.55E-01	-2.53E+01	
Primary energy resources used as raw materials (PERM) [MJ]	8.33E+00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Total use of renewable primary energy resources (PERT) [MJ]	9.94E+02	1.83E+00	1.32E-02	0	0	4.00E-02	2.47E-01	7.55E-01	-2.53E+01	
Use of non-renewable primary energy (PENRE) [MJ]	1.22E+03	4.59E+01	1.43E-01	0	0	1.00E+00	2.71E+00	6.37E+00	-2.74E+01	
Non-renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials (PENRM) [MJ]	4.82E+02	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

	Product Stage	Construction Stage			Use Stage	End of Life				Benefits and Loads Beyond the System Boundary
	A1-A3	A4	A5	B1-B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D	
Total use of non-renewable primary energy resources (PENRT) [MJ]	1.70E+03	4.59E+01	1.43E-01	0	0	1.00E+00	2.71E+00	6.37E+00	-2.74E+01	
Input of secondary material (SM) [kg]	6.60E-01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Use of renewable secondary fuels (RSF) [MJ]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Use of non renewable secondary fuels (NRSF) [MJ]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Use of net fresh water (FW) [m3]	1.70E+00	6.27E-03	2.12E-04	0	0	1.37E-04	1.24E-02	1.23E-02	-1.14E-01	
Hazardous waste disposed (HWD) [kg]	1.45E-05	1.32E-10	3.38E-12	0	0	2.89E-12	1.10E-10	1.56E-10	-4.13E-07	
Non-hazardous waste disposed (NHWD) [kg]	1.20E+00	3.99E-03	2.04E-01	0	0	8.74E-05	1.01E-01	1.23E+01	7.41E-02	
Radioactive waste disposed (RWD) [kg]	3.54E-02	1.32E-04	1.94E-06	0	0	2.88E-06	9.35E-05	8.13E-05	-1.08E-03	
High-level radioactive waste, conditioned, to final repository (HLRW) [kg]	4.57E-05	1.56E-07	2.24E-09	0	0	3.42E-09	1.11E-07	9.18E-08	-1.29E-06	
Intermediate- and low-level radioactive waste, conditioned, to final repository (ILLRW) [kg]	3.53E-02	1.31E-04	1.94E-06	0	0	2.88E-06	9.34E-05	8.12E-05	-1.08E-03	
Components for re-use (CRU) [kg]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Materials for Recycling (MFR) [kg]	1.16E-01	0	4.15E-01	0	0	0	5.01E+00	0	0	
Material for Energy Recovery (MER) [kg]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Total recovered energy exported from the product system (EEE and EET) [MJ]	4.89E-02	0	2.87E-01	0	0	0	1.94E+01	0	0	
Particulate matter [Disease incidences]	2.81E-06	1.62E-07	2.45E-09	0	0	2.31E-09	1.33E-08	3.57E-07	-6.81E-08	
Ionizing radiation, human health [kBq U235 eq.]* **	3.87E+00	1.11E-02	1.75E-04	0	0	2.43E-04	7.83E-03	7.67E-03	-7.24E-02	
Ecotoxicity, freshwater [CTUe]*	5.10E+02	3.58E+01	1.02E+00	0	0	7.83E-01	6.54E-01	1.88E+02	-7.03E+00	
Human toxicity, cancer [CTUh]*	1.89E-07	8.31E-10	1.52E-11	0	0	1.43E-11	4.66E-11	1.94E-09	-2.46E-10	
Human toxicity, non-cancer [CTUh]*	4.50E-07	1.35E-08	7.71E-10	0	0	2.91E-10	1.25E-09	6.95E-08	-5.45E-09	
Land Use [Pt]*	2.72E+03	8.06E+00	1.54E-02	0	0	1.76E-01	3.05E-01	5.34E-01	-3.77E+02	

The life cycle modules are defined by EN 15804 as follows: Product Stage–raw material supply, transport, and manufacturing; Construction Stage–distribution and installation; Use Stage–use of installed product, maintenance, repair, replacement, refurbishment, operational energy use, and operational water use; End of Life–deconstruction, transport of waste, waste processing, and disposal; Benefits and Loads Beyond the System Boundary–credits from energy and material capture.

*The results of this environmental impact indicator shall be used with care as the uncertainties on these results are high or as there is limited experience with the indicator.

**This impact category deals mainly with the eventual impact of low dose ionizing radiation on human health of the nuclear fuel cycle. It does not consider effects due to possible nuclear accidents, occupational exposure nor due to radioactive waste disposal in underground facilities. Potential ionizing radiation from the soil, from radon and from some construction materials is also not measured by this indicator.

Functional Unit	
Parameter	Value
Declared unit	1 unit of storage with 0.15 m ³ of storage capacity for a 10-year period
Reference service life required	10 years
Biogenic carbon in product	40.5 kg C
Biogenic carbon in packaging	0.938 kg C

A4: Transport to the building site	
Parameter	Value per functional unit
Transportation type	Truck
Fuel consumption (l/km)	0.42 diesel
Distance	1420 km
Capacity utilization	67%
Capacity utilization volume factor	=1
Weight of product (kg)	27.7
Volume (m ³)	0.15

A5: Installation in the building	
Parameter	Value per functional unit
Packaging waste produced	0.70 kg
Installation Assumptions	No product waste, Installed with hand tools.

B2: Maintenance	
Parameter	Value per functional unit
Maintenance Process	No maintenance is expected for this product
Maintenance cycle	0
Ancillary Materials for maintenance (kg/cycle)	0
Waste materials resulting from maintenance (kg)	0
Net fresh water consumption during maintenance (m ³)	0
Energy input during maintenance (kWh)	0

Reference service life (RSL)	
Parameter	Value per functional unit
Reference service life	10 years
Design application parameters	Use as indicated in product brochure and warranty
Declared product properties	Properties given in product description on page 3
Indoor environment	Typical office and home environment
Use conditions	Typical office and home use

B3: Repair	
Parameter	Value per functional unit
Repair process	No repairs are expected for this product
Inspection process	No repairs are expected for this product
Repair cycle (#/RSL)	0
Ancillary materials (kg)	0
Waste materials from repair (kg)	0
Net freshwater consumption during repair (m ³)	0
Energy input during repair (kWh)	0

B4: Replacement	
Parameter	Value per functional unit
Replacement cycle (#/RSL)	0
Energy input during replacement (kWh)	0
Exchange of worn parts during the products life cycle (kg)	0

B5: Refurbishment	
Parameter	Value per functional unit
Refurbishment process	No refurbishment is expected for this product
Refurbishment cycle (#/RSL)	0
Energy input during refurbishment (kWh)	0
Material input for refurbishment (kg)	0
Waste material resulting from refurbishment (kg)	0

B6 and B7: Use of energy and Use of Water	
Parameter	Value per functional unit
Ancillary materials (kg)	0
Net freshwater consumption (m ³)	0
Power output of equipment (kW)	0
Characteristic performance	n/a

C1-C4: End-of-life	
Parameter	Value per functional unit
Weight of product collected	27.7 kg
Weight to recycling	14.3 kg
Weight to energy recovery	12.9 kg
Weight to landfill	0.6 kg
Distance to recycling	32.2 km
Distance to energy recovery	32.2 km
Distance to landfill	32.2 km

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