

## Evergreen Maturity Matrix

Criteria	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
<b>Environmental measures in effect (e.g. carbon reduction projects)</b>	Required	Required	Required	Required
<b>Scope of net zero target and emissions provided (publicly available)</b>	Scope 1, 2 and a subset of scope 3	Scope 1, 2 and all relevant scope 3	Scope 1, 2 and all relevant scope 3	Global entity and reporting entity: Scope 1, 2 and all relevant scope 3
<b>Geographical boundary of net zero target and emissions provided (minimum)</b>	UK boundary	UK boundary	Global boundary	Global boundary
<b>Net zero target year (minimum and publicly available)</b>	2050	2050	2045	2045
<b>Validation of net zero target and verification of emissions provided</b>	Not required	Not required	Required for reporting entity	Required for reporting entity and global parent company (targets only)
<b>Entity providing target information</b>	Reporting entity	Reporting entity	Reporting entity	Reporting entity and global parent company
<b>Higher performer – transparency reporting (e.g., CDP, EcoVadis or B Corp)</b>	Not required	Not required	Not required	Required
<b>Public modern slavery statement</b>	As per legislative requirements <sup>1</sup>	Required	Required	Required
<b>Modern Slavery Assessment Tool</b>	As per legislative requirements <sup>1</sup>	As per legislative requirements <sup>1</sup>	Required	Required
<b>Identifying and mitigating modern slavery risks</b>	As per legislative requirements <sup>1</sup>	As per legislative requirements <sup>1</sup>	As per legislative requirements <sup>1</sup>	At least one of the following: - Actively taking steps to map supply chain - Actively investigating incidents and mitigating high risks found
<b>Corporate social value programme</b>	Not required	Required	Required	Required

These are the maturity criteria as of June 2023; as sustainability initiatives evolve, the Assessment will take into account any changes required to reflect best practice, NHS priorities and feedback received. Suppliers that are in scope of net zero, social value and modern slavery legislative requirements will still need to demonstrate compliance through the procurement process – further information and guidance on associated requirements can be accessed via the [NHS England » Central Commercial Function \(CCF\)](#) webpage.

<sup>1</sup> Additional information on legislative requirements is provided on the Government website, including: [PPN 02/23: Tackling Modern Slavery in Government Supply Chains](#)