

The Application of Green Materials and Practice of Environmental Protection Concepts in Architectural Interior Design

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Abstract. This article explores the widespread application of green materials in architectural interior design and their importance for environmental protection and sustainable development. Firstly, the paper provides an overview of the definition and development process of green materials, with a focus on common green materials and their characteristics. Secondly, the paper explores the advantages of green materials in improving indoor space comfort and health, as well as their applications in interior decoration and furniture. Subsequently, the paper analyzed the challenges faced in promoting green materials in interior design, including cost, technology, market recognition, and proposed corresponding solutions. Finally, the paper summarizes the development trend of green materials in interior design of buildings in the future, and points out the importance of joint efforts by the government, enterprises, and various sectors of society to promote the widespread application of green materials and achieve the goals of green buildings and sustainable development.

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1. Introduction

In today's society, people's attention to environmental protection concepts is increasing day by day. With the increasingly prominent issues of global climate change and resource scarcity, the construction industry, as one of the important sources of energy consumption and environmental pollution, has also received widespread attention. In this context, the application of green materials is particularly important in interior design of buildings. Green materials can not only reduce the consumption of resources and environmental pollution in buildings, but also enhance the comfort and health of indoor spaces. However, despite the many theoretical advantages of green materials, their promotion and application in practice still face many challenges. This article aims to deeply explore the current application status and development trends of green materials in interior design of buildings, in order to provide reference and inspiration for promoting the development of green buildings.

2. Definition and Development History of Green Materials in Interior Design of Buildings

The definition and development process of green materials in architectural interior design has always been in a continuous evolution. With the increasing awareness of environmental protection and the popularization of sustainable development concepts, the concept of green materials has gradually received attention and been widely applied. Green materials, as the name suggests, refer to building materials that have minimal environmental impact during their production, use, and disposal processes. These materials usually have the characteristics of low energy consumption, low pollution, and renewability, which can effectively reduce the environmental load of buildings.

From a historical perspective, the concept of green materials originated from the environmental movement in the 1970s. At that time, people began to realize the significant energy consumption and environmental pollution caused by the production and use of traditional building materials such as steel and cement. In order to reduce dependence on natural resources and reduce environmental burden, some new environmentally friendly building materials have emerged, such as renewable materials and low-carbon materials. The emergence of these materials marks the initial formation of the concept of green materials. With the continuous progress of technology and the increasing



awareness of environmental protection among people, the types and application scope of green materials are also constantly expanding. For example, renewable materials, including bamboo, wood, hemp fibers, etc., are increasingly favored by designers and architects due to their wide sources, short growth cycles, and simple production processes. In addition, low-carbon materials, such as biodegradable materials, recycled materials, etc., have gradually become the mainstream choice in architectural interior design. These materials play an important role in reducing greenhouse gas emissions and resource consumption.

In recent years, with the rise of the concept of green buildings, the development trend of green materials has become clearer. Green buildings incorporate environmental protection, energy conservation, health, comfort, and other factors into the entire process of architectural design, committed to creating an efficient, energy-saving, and environmentally friendly building environment. In this context, the application of green materials is not only a simple environmental behavior, but also a new way of thinking that conforms to the concept of sustainable development. Therefore, the definition and development process of green materials in architectural interior design is a constantly enriching and improving process, and their importance is increasing day by day, which will inevitably become the mainstream trend of future development in the construction industry.

3. Diverse Applications of Green Materials in Interior Design

The application of green materials in interior design is diverse and extensive, covering various aspects of architecture. Renewable materials are a common choice in indoor decoration. For example, renewable materials such as bamboo and wood flooring, hemp fiber fabrics, etc. not only have good environmental performance, but also add a natural atmosphere to indoor spaces. Secondly, low-carbon materials are also one of the commonly used materials in interior design. These types of materials usually have the characteristics of low energy consumption and low pollution, such as biodegradable materials, recycled materials, etc., which can effectively reduce the consumption of resources and environmental pollution in indoor spaces. In addition, non-toxic materials have also been widely used in interior design. They do not contain harmful chemicals to human health, such as formaldehyde, benzene, etc., which can ensure the quality of indoor air and ensure the health of residents.

In addition to the common green materials mentioned above, some new environmentally friendly materials are gradually being applied in interior design. For example, materials such as ecological concrete and biodegradable plastics are highly favored by designers and architects due to their unique performance and environmental characteristics. Ecological concrete not only has the strength and durability of traditional concrete, but also can absorb carbon dioxide and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Degradable plastics have good biodegradability and can be degraded by microorganisms under certain conditions, thereby reducing environmental pollution. They are an ideal indoor decoration material. The application of these new environmentally friendly materials can not only meet people's needs for environmental protection and sustainable development, but also bring more creativity and possibilities to interior design.

In addition to its application in building structures, green materials also involve decoration and furniture in interior design. Environmentally friendly coatings, water-based adhesives and other materials have become the mainstream choices for indoor decoration and have received widespread attention. In addition, environmentally friendly furniture such as eco-friendly panels and water-based coatings are gradually being favored by people. These materials not only give indoor spaces a more unique aesthetic, but more importantly, they can ensure the health and environmental friendliness of the indoor environment. They do not contain harmful substances, reducing the possibility of indoor air pollution and creating a healthier and more comfortable living space for residents. Through its application in decoration and furniture, green materials have further expanded their application scope in the field of interior design, creating a better living environment for people.

In short, the diverse application of green materials in interior design has brought new development opportunities to the construction industry. These materials not only provide more choices in aesthetics and functionality, but also meet the urgent needs of modern society for environmental protection and sustainable development. With the increasing awareness of environmental protection and the popularization of green building concepts, the application of green materials will become increasingly widespread. In the future, green materials will inevitably become the mainstream trend in architectural interior design, creating a healthier, more comfortable, and environmentally friendly living and working environment for people. The government, enterprises, and all sectors of society should work together to promote the widespread application of green materials and make positive contributions to the construction of a sustainable future urban environment.

4. The Advantages of Green Materials in Improving Indoor Space Comfort and Health

Green materials have significant advantages in improving indoor space comfort and health, which are mainly reflected in the following aspects. Green materials can improve indoor air quality. Traditional building materials often contain harmful substances such as formaldehyde and benzene, and long-term exposure may pose a threat to human health. Green materials usually do not contain these harmful substances, which can ensure the cleanliness and health of indoor air. For example, non-toxic materials such as water-based coatings and environmentally friendly wooden flooring can effectively reduce indoor air pollution and ensure the health of residents.

Green materials can improve the comfort of indoor spaces. Traditional building materials often have high thermal and moisture conductivity, which can easily lead to fluctuations in indoor temperature and humidity, affecting people's living experience. Green materials usually have good insulation and humidity control properties, which can effectively reduce fluctuations in indoor temperature and humidity, and improve the comfort of indoor spaces. For example, renewable materials such as bamboo and wood flooring, hemp fiber fabrics, etc. have good insulation and moisture control properties, which can create a comfortable and pleasant living environment for indoor spaces.

Green materials can also enhance the visual and tactile enjoyment of indoor spaces. Traditional building materials often have a single surface effect and texture, which is difficult to meet people's pursuit of beauty and quality. Green materials usually have rich surface effects and textures, such as the natural texture of bamboo and wood flooring, the soft touch of hemp fiber fabrics, etc., which can add a natural and warm atmosphere to indoor spaces and improve people's living quality. In addition, green materials can also reduce the energy consumption and maintenance costs of indoor spaces. Traditional building materials often have high energy consumption and maintenance costs, and long-term use will increase the operating costs of buildings. Green materials typically have good durability and stability, which can reduce indoor energy consumption and maintenance costs. For example, renewable materials such as bamboo and wood flooring, hemp fiber fabrics, etc. have good wear resistance and stain resistance, which can reduce the maintenance frequency and cost of indoor spaces.

Green materials have significant advantages in improving indoor space comfort and health, and their impact on improving people's living environment is self-evident. These materials not only effectively purify indoor air, eliminate harmful gases, but also have good humidity and insulation properties, making the indoor environment more comfortable and pleasant. At the same time, the natural texture and texture of green materials also add a natural beauty to indoor spaces, allowing people to enjoy life in a comfortable environment. With the continuous improvement of people's awareness of environmental protection and healthy lifestyle, the concept of green buildings is also increasingly deeply rooted in people's hearts. The application of green materials will become the mainstream trend in future architectural interior design. People will be more inclined to choose green materials and pursue a healthy, comfortable, and environmentally friendly living environment. Therefore, the market demand for green materials will continue to grow, and related industries will also usher in greater development opportunities.

5. Challenges Faced in Promoting Green Materials in Interior Design of Buildings

The challenges faced in promoting green materials in interior design are multifaceted, and these challenges affect the widespread application of green materials in the construction industry. A major challenge is market awareness and acceptance. Although green materials have significant advantages in environmental protection, energy conservation, and other aspects, their recognition and acceptance in the market are relatively low. Many consumers have doubts about the performance, quality, and price of green materials, and it is still common to choose traditional materials. Therefore, promoting green materials requires strengthening market promotion and education, enhancing consumer awareness and acceptance of green materials.

The cost issue of green materials is another challenge facing promotion. Compared to traditional building materials, green materials often have higher costs, including material procurement costs, construction costs, etc. This cost difference has deterred some developers and architects from choosing traditional materials to reduce costs. Therefore, reducing the cost of green materials is one of the key factors in promoting green materials. It is necessary to reduce the production and use costs of green materials and improve their competitiveness through technological innovation, industry chain optimization, and other means. The standards and certification system for green materials are also one of the challenges facing promotion. At present, the standards and certification system for green materials are relatively scattered and incomplete, with problems such as inconsistent standards and unclear certification standards. This has brought difficulties for consumers to choose suitable green materials and also created certain obstacles for the market promotion of green materials. Therefore, establishing a sound green material standard and certification system, improving the credibility and reliability of green materials, is of great significance for promoting green materials.

In addition, the supply chain and industrial chain of green materials also face some challenges. The production, processing, transportation and other aspects of green materials require high attention to environmental protection and sustainable development, which poses higher requirements for the management of supply and industrial chains. However, in practical operation, some enterprises have problems such as weak environmental awareness and non-standard production processes, which make it difficult to ensure the quality and reliability of green materials. Therefore, strengthening the supervision and management of the green material supply chain and industrial chain, promoting the standardization and normalization of the industrial chain, is of great significance for promoting green materials.

The challenges faced in promoting green materials in architectural interior design are multifaceted and require the joint efforts of the government, enterprises, and all sectors of society. The key is to strengthen market promotion and education, and increase public awareness and acceptance of green materials. Meanwhile, reducing the cost of green materials is also crucial, which can be achieved through technological innovation and industrial chain optimization. Establishing standards and certification systems can enhance the credibility and reliability of green materials, providing guarantees for their promotion. In addition, regulating the supply chain and industrial chain is also crucial, which can be achieved by strengthening supervision and management, cracking down on counterfeit and inferior products, and maintaining the order of the green material market. Through joint efforts, promote the widespread application of green materials in the construction industry and contribute to the sustainable development of the construction industry.

6. Policy Recommendations and Practical Measures to Promote the Use of Green Materials in Interior Design of Buildings

Policy recommendations and practical measures to promote the use of green materials in interior design are crucial for achieving green buildings and sustainable development. The government should formulate relevant policies and regulations to promote the widespread application of green materials in building interior design. These policies include but are not limited to fiscal incentives, tax incentives, green building standards, and certification policies. Through the guidance and support of

these policies, the cost of green materials can be reduced, their market competitiveness can be improved, and the promotion and application of green materials in the construction industry can be promoted. The government can also strengthen technological research and innovation support for green materials. By increasing research investment, establishing special funds, and organizing technological breakthroughs, we will promote technological innovation and industrial upgrading of green materials. At the same time, establish a sound mechanism for technology transfer and promotion, transform scientific research achievements into practical productivity, and provide technical support and guarantee for the promotion and application of green materials.

The government can also strengthen supervision and management of the green material market. By establishing a sound green material standard and certification system, regulating market order, and improving the credibility and reliability of green materials. At the same time, we will strengthen supervision over the production, processing, and sales of green materials, crack down severely on counterfeit and inferior products, protect the legitimate rights and interests of consumers, and maintain a good market order. In addition to government policy support, enterprises and social organizations should also actively participate in promoting green materials. Enterprises can increase investment in the research and production of green materials, improve product quality and competitiveness, and meet market demand. At the same time, enterprises can actively carry out publicity and promotion activities for green materials, improving consumer awareness and acceptance of green materials. Social organizations can play the role of bridges and bonds, organizing various forces to participate in the promotion of green materials, and promoting the realization of green buildings and sustainable development.

To promote the widespread application of green materials in architectural interior design, it is necessary for the government, enterprises, and society to form a joint effort. The government can formulate relevant policies, such as fiscal incentives and tax incentives, to reduce the cost of green materials and encourage enterprises to increase research and development investment. At the same time, the government can strengthen technical support and promote green material technology innovation and industrial upgrading. Enterprises should actively respond to policy calls, increase investment in green material research and production, and improve product quality and market competitiveness. All sectors of society can strengthen the promotion and publicity of green materials, and improve public awareness and acceptance of green buildings. By regulating market order, cracking down on counterfeit and inferior products, maintaining the green material market environment, and promoting the achievement of green buildings and sustainable development goals.

7. Conclusion

The application of green materials in interior design of buildings is an important measure to promote environmental protection and sustainable development. This article explores the definition and development history of green materials, diverse applications, advantages in comfort and health, challenges faced, policy recommendations and practical measures, as well as future development directions. The application of green materials can not only improve indoor environmental quality and enhance living comfort, but also reduce resource consumption and energy consumption emissions, making contributions to the sustainable development of the construction industry. However, promoting green materials in interior design still faces many challenges, which require the joint efforts of the government, enterprises, and all sectors of society to strengthen policy support, increase investment, promote innovation, and promote the widespread application of green materials.

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