



Egg Harbor City

GREEN BUSINESS RECOGNITION PROGRAM

How Green Are You?

Your business may be greener than you think! Go through this check list and find out where you stand in your effort to become a Sustainable Business. Recycling, conservation, water conservation, purchasing and promoting green practices all show your commitment to a sustainable Egg Harbor City. See how you do on this assessment, then contact us for a review and YOU could be recognized as one of **EGG HARBOR CITY'S GREEN BUSINESSES!**

GENERAL

- _____ Train all employees to follow environmental practices.
- _____ Post reminders of environmental practices and policies.
- _____ Advertise accomplishments through press releases.
- _____ Track and post utility bills.
- _____ Participate in ACUA recycling program.
- _____ Encourage other businesses to go green.
- _____ Participate in local green events.

ENERGY CONSERVATION

- _____ Have/had an energy audit of your building.
- _____ Turn off lights and electronic equipment when not in use.
- _____ Installed motion sensors & lighting controls.
- _____ Insulated hot water heaters and pipes.
- _____ Installed programmable thermostats to control heating and cooling.
- _____ Purchase Energy Star equipment and appliances
- _____ Unplug chargers when not in use
- _____ Check and repair leaks around windows and doors
- _____ Replace fluorescent tubes with energy efficient fixtures
- _____ Replace incandescent bulbs with CFLs or better yet LEDs

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

- _____ Check vehicles for oil leaks
- _____ Keep dumpster area clean
- _____ Provide wind proof containers for outdoor smoking areas
- _____ Distribute educational materials on stormwater pollution prevention to employees
- _____ Replace grass areas with water-efficient NATIVE PLANTS

- _____ Use natural mulch to increase water retention in landscaping and Planters
- _____ Remove weeds by hand . . . do not use herbicides
- _____ Do not use chemical fertilizers
- _____ Maintain plants and shrubs on sidewalks and in planters
- _____ Install a rain barrel or cistern to collect water for plants
- _____ Install a rain garden.

WASTE PREVENTION

- _____ Do regular waste audits to find problems
- _____ Discourage single use plastic bags, including bags and straws
- _____ Post information about using reusable bags
- _____ Offer alternatives for carry out wrapping
- _____ Reduce copying through electronic communication
- _____ Have your printer default to 2-sided copying
- _____ Use marketing materials that require no envelope
- _____ Collect e-mail addresses as an alternative to "snail mail"
- _____ Recycle food waste either by composting, pig farmers or special Collection
- _____ Use reusable plates and flatware rather than disposable
- _____ Use concentrated cleaning products
- _____ Use green safe cleaning supplies
- _____ Use reusable towels, napkins or table cloths
- _____ Use large soap dispensers instead of individual ones
- _____ Use bulk condiments instead of individual packets
- _____ Collect ink jet cartridges and cell phones for recycling
- _____ Repurpose office furniture and supplies
- _____ Use 100% recycled paper whenever possible
- _____ Buy in bulk whenever possible
- _____ Purchase locally whenever possible
- _____ Use toilet tissue & paper towels made from 100% recycled paper
- _____ Purchase reusable rather than disposable products
- _____ Only provide plastic straws when requested
- _____ Use smallest possible containers for food take out

WATER

- _____ Check water bill for indication of leaks
- _____ Check for plumbing leaks and repair immediately
- _____ Clean outdoor areas with a broom, not water to avoid runoff
- _____ Do not allow litter to accumulate
- _____ Install energy efficient toilets
- _____ Install waterless urinals
- _____ Install high efficient faucet aerators
- _____ Install reminder signs in bathrooms to conserve water
- _____ Change window cleaning schedule to "as needed"
- _____ Adjust sprinklers to water ONLY grass and plants
- _____ Install moisture detection devices for sprinklers
- _____ Install motion sensor water faucets in public restrooms.

How Did You Do?
 There are 60 plus items on this assessment. If you checked off at least 30, you are eligible for Green Business Recognition. Contact SustainableEHC at 609-965-5681 to schedule a review. Leave a preferred method of contact, phone or email, and a convenient time for your review. Thanks for participating!