



Sheraton Philadelphia University City Hotel

Green/Sustainability Initiatives

Energy and Water Conservation

- Replaced 40 Watt and/or 34 Watt T-12 lamps and ballasts with either 28 Watt or 25 Watt T-8 lamps and ballasts
- Installed compact fluorescent lamps (CFL) throughout the property in all applicable locations
- Team has incorporated toilet tune-up measures in the guest room preventive maintenance program (including checking float valve adjustment, checking flapper valves for leakage and checking for adequate bowl refilling tube flow)
- Installed automatic flush valves on urinals and automatic faucets on public and associate handwashing sinks
- Team has added frequent inspection and testing cycles of flushometers
- Team has incorporated faucet leak checks into inspection rounds and preventive maintenance program
- Team has completed retrofitting low faucet aerators in all applicable locations
- All guest rooms have low-flow showerheads in place
- Engineering has a comprehensive preventive maintenance (PM) program in place

Waste Minimization

- All guest rooms offer in-room recycling bins
- Team disposes of electronic equipment and other equipment containing hazardous or controlled substances (e.g. computer monitors, refrigeration units) through a qualified service for recycling and material recovery
- Team treats fluorescent lamps and disposable batteries as hazardous or controlled waste, collecting them separately from other waste and disposing of them through a qualified disposal service in accordance with all applicable regulations
- Hotel uses a third party composting company to haul landscaping waste
- Hotel uses a third party company that will haul away food waste for composting
- Hotel has contracted with a third party company to filter oil for re-use and clean deep fat fryers
- Team has verified that the company picking up spent kitchen fryer oil supplies it to companies that convert it into biodiesel fuel.
- Team has eliminated the purchase and usage of all polystyrene foam completely
- Hotel has changed delivery option to reduce the amount of unused newspapers





- Hotel has changed brand of toilet paper and tissues to brand that produces items from recycled paper
- Bottled water is made of reduced plastic content by at least 15% in comparison to conventional plastic water bottles
- Fitness Center and associate break areas offer filtered water system instead of bulk water dispensing

Indoor Environmental Quality

- Hotel has implemented “Make a Green Choice” housekeeping program, which includes the following best practices:
 - Utilize green cleaning products
 - Implement an end-of life linen management program to divert retired linens from landfill or incineration
 - Cleaning personnel are appropriately trained in green housekeeping practices, and in the hazards, use, maintenance, disposal and recycling of cleaning chemicals, dispensing equipment and packaging
 - Use daylight while cleaning
 - Check for light bulb functionality during dusting
 - Reduce water usage by avoiding running water where possible
 - Close sheers and part black out shades-of the way to limit heat loss in winter and heat gain in the summer
 - Utilize “energy-efficient” set-up for guest room lighting and electronic appliances (including turning off TVs and radios)
 - HVAC occupancy sensors installed in all guest rooms
 - Check for and report on faucet leaks or running toilets
 - Adhere to linen/towel reuse policies
 - Adhere to recycling and waste collection policies
- Hotel uses paints and coatings which have been granted a recognized eco-label, and/or which have volatile organic compound (VOC) emissions
- Hotel uses carpet an carpet cushion products with emission limits in accordance with local standards

Awareness and Engagement

- Hotel has implemented a Green Environmental Committee in order to ensure staff awareness, involvement and buy-in, and to ensure accountability

Partners

- www.cleantheworld.org
 - Collect and recycle soap and shampoo products discarded by the hospitality industry every day.





- Through the distribution of these and other donated hygiene products to impoverished people, prevent the millions of deaths caused hygiene related illnesses every day.
- RecycleBank
 - RecycleBank partners with cities and haulers to reward households for recycling. Households earn RecycleBank Points that can be used to shop at over 1,500 local and national businesses.

Meeting Setup

- Hotel utilizes flipcharts which contain 30% post-consumer recycled content
- Hotel purchases environmentally friendly chafing fuel
- Hotel's catering department has eliminated threatened seafood species as well as species listed with an "avoid" recommendation by the Seafood Watch Program of the Monterey Bay Aquarium from all menus.

