

MUSEUM VICTORIA

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Museum Victoria's Venues are committed to excellence in environmental sustainability management.

Museum Victoria's mission is to actively work towards minimising the impact of human life on the environment which it will do, both directly and indirectly, through the development and application of sustainable practices, and through gathering, developing and sharing knowledge with its clients, visitors, staff and the community.

Museum Victoria seeks to actively participate in the search for solutions to this global issue. It is committed to the incremental development of an environmentally sustainable culture and operation in everything the Museum does. This goes beyond its efforts to reduce emissions from the buildings it occupies, to include its approach to events, collections, research, education and public programs.

It is in this context of climate change and how Museum Victoria responds to it that the objective of its environmental sustainability policy is to support the strategic plan direction of "environmental responsibility". This policy will enable the realisation of this objective by outlining the requirements, responsibilities and accountabilities associated with the development and maintenance of integrated environmental practices and a culture of sustainability.

Water Management

- ✓ Water management system/water plan
- ✓ Use water jugs/reusable water bottles
- ✓ Water efficient sprinklers/sensors
- ✓ Water tank/rainwater tanks
- ✓ Optional cleaning of linen and towels
- ✓ Water filters fitted with efficient backwash
- ✓ Water saving shower heads
- ✓ Dual-flush toilets.

Waste Management

- ✓ Use of environmentally friendly products
- ✓ Reuse kitchen oil
- ✓ Reuse signs, name badges etc
- ✓ Locally sourced food/manufacturers
- ✓ On-site compost bin for organic waste
- ✓ Encourage a reduction in paper usage by communicating electronically
- ✓ Recycle paper, rubbish, print cartridges, aluminium, metal etc.

Energy Management

- ✓ Use Green Power/electricity
- ✓ Ventilation systems minimising heating/cooling needs
- ✓ Sensor lighting systems
- ✓ Switch off computers/lights/air conditioners when not in use
- ✓ Solar panels/power/hot water
- ✓ Energy saving key cards (air conditioner/ lights)
- ✓ Energy efficient globes.

Program Participation

- ✓ SecondBite
- ✓ Earth Hour.

Strategies Implemented

- ✓ Staff green team
- ✓ Staff inductions and/or training on environmental practices
- ✓ Communication to staff, guests, clients and/ or suppliers about green initiatives
- ✓ Tree planting
- ✓ Carbon offsetting
- ✓ Use/provide biodegradable products
- ✓ Use of/promote public transport
- ✓ Use of low emission/hybrid cars/buses
- ✓ Sustainability audit/environmental plan.

Projects to be Completed

- ✓ Environment management plan
- ✓ Environmental audit.