



Washington Duke
Inn & Golf Club

Our Environmental Responsibility Statement

The Washington Duke Inn & Golf Club is committed to developing and implementing environmental initiatives that continually improve business and personal lives, while simultaneously maintaining our commitment to provide exceptional hospitality.

Commitment and Awareness

- We are recognized by the International Association of Conference Centers for our Green Star Gold Level Status for Sustainability.
- We received the City of Durham's EnviroStars Environmental Achievement Award for Water Conservation, Water Quality and Waste Reduction.
- We have an active team dedicated to achieving all green and eco-friendly goals.
- We publish our environmental communications to guests and vendors.
- We have an eco-suggestion program and provide Best Management Practices training for employees.
- The Inn is actively moving forward to achieve AHLA/Green Seal certifications.
- We are a Sustainable Business Strategy Course client of the Nicholas School of the Environment at Duke University.



Energy Efficiency, Water Conservation, Air and Water Quality

- Energy efficient lighting is used in guestrooms and corridors.
- We utilize Energy-Star compliant products where applicable.
- We use water conserving fixtures and volatile organic compound compliant products.
- We offer a linen reuse option for our hotel guests.
- We have a Bio-Amp pre-treatment system for grease remediation.
- We have a salt water chlorine generation system for our pool and spa.
- All areas of the hotel have filtered air and we utilize a building automation system that electronically controls all of our heating and cooling systems.
- We utilize HEPA filtered vacuum cleaners and dry-extraction floor care equipment.



Solid Waste Minimization

- We have an active and successful recycling program throughout the Inn.
- We have eliminated Styrofoam and other hazardous products.
- We donate half empty rolls of toilet tissue and partially used bottles of shampoo, conditioner, and body lotion to local charities.
- We actively reuse any packaging and shipping materials.
- We are actively pursuing a food composting program.
- All banquet/conference attendee discards are sorted into the proper recycling stream by our staff.

Environmental Purchasing

- We print on recycled paper containing 30% minimum post-recycled content.
- We use FSC/SFI certified paper products where applicable.
- We require eco-friendly office and cleaning supplies from our vendors.
- We actively promote sustainable food initiatives throughout the hotel.
- We continually challenge our vendors to source the most sustainable products available.
- We are moving towards a property wide initiative for an MSDS rating of 1 or less for all products.



This policy is a living document and we are committing through our process of continuous improvement to periodically review this policy to guarantee that it reflects the most up-to-date information.



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