



Virginia Green Conference Centers

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Zehmer Hall Conference Center University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia

Virginia Green is the Commonwealth of Virginia's campaign to promote environmentally-friendly practices in all aspects of Virginia's tourism industry. *Virginia Green Conference Centers* have been thoughtfully planned and designed to minimize their impacts on the environment. This attraction has met the established "core activities" for *Green Conference Centers* and has committed to communicate its activities to its guests. Below is a list of this attraction's "green" activities that guests can expect.

Zehmer Hall Conference Center

Virginia Green Activities. When visiting the Zehmer Hall Conference Center, you can expect the following practices:

CORE ACTIVITIES for Conference Centers

- Recycling and Waste Reduction.** Conference Centers must provide highly-visible recycling opportunities for guests at their events.
 - Aluminum Cans, Plastic, Office Paper, Toner Cartridges, Cardboard,
 - Packing Supplies, Fluorescent Lamps, Batteries, Electronics Equipment
 - Use dishware and glassware to minimize use of disposables
 - Provide condiments and cream and sugar in bulk
 - Use water pitchers to minimize use of single-use bottles
 - Donate excess food from events
 - Effective food inventory control to minimize waste
 - Use 2-sided copying, electronic correspondence and forms, recycled content paper
 - Use latex paint

- Styrofoam and Disposable Reduction.** Conference Centers are encouraged to minimize or eliminate the use of Styrofoam cups and plates in favor of products that are bio-based, paper, or recyclable.
 - Eliminate the use of Styrofoam

- Water Efficiency.** Conference Centers must have a "plan" for conserving and using water efficiently.
 - Preventive maintenance on drips and leaks
 - Encourage dry cleanup over water-based
 - Effective landscape management plan

- Energy Conservation.** Conference Centers must have a "plan" that encourages energy conservation and efficiency.
 - High Efficiency Heating and Air Conditioning (HVAC)

Green Events Package. Conference Centers must offer a “green” or “environmentally-friendly” package for conferences, meetings and other events.

- Encourage recycling of materials at events
- Encourage electronic media presentations versus paper handouts

For more information on **Zehmer Hall Conference Center** see www.zehmerhall.info , or contact Kimberly Dixon at kdixon@virginia.edu .

For more information on **Virginia Green** program, see www.deq.virginia.gov/p2/virginiagreen. Click on “Conference Centers”.



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