



# Virginia Green Hotels & Lodging Facilities



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## Hyatt Place Richmond Chester Chester, VA



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**Virginia Green** is the Commonwealth of Virginia's campaign to promote environmentally-friendly practices in all aspects of Virginia's tourism industry. **Virginia Green** has established "core activities" specific to each sector of tourism, and these practices are considered the required minimum for participation in the program. However, **Virginia Green** encourages its participants to reduce their environmental impacts in all aspects of their operations, and this profile provides a full list of all their "green" activities. These are the activities that guests / customers can expect to find when they visit this facility.

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Limited Service Hotel

We want to make a positive impact in our community.

### Virginia Green Activities

#### This facility pledges that they:

##### Offer optional linen service

- Train housekeeping staff on our process for optional linen service
- Have signage in each guest room explaining the linen reuse procedures

##### Recycle

- Have in place clearly marked recycling bins or provide convenient drop-off locations for guests to recycle:

- Plastic Bottles
- Office paper

##### Other items recycled by the facility:

- Printer/ copy machine toner cartridges
- Newspaper

- Cardboard

### **Reduce solid waste**

- Track overall solid waste costs
- Instruct housekeeping staff to save and reuse unopened items
- Have an effective food inventory control system to minimize waste
- Use disposable foodservice items that are made from recycled content
- Use water pitchers to minimize the use of single-use bottles
- Use bulk soap dispensers in public restrooms
- Purchase recycled-content paper-towels and toilet paper
- Remove facility and staff names from junk mail lists when possible
- Reuse scrap paper for notes
- Purchase recycled paper with a high-percentage recycled content
- Use electronic correspondence and forms when possible
- Properly recycle and/or dispose of thinners and solvents

### **Use water efficiently**

- Track overall water usage and wastewater costs
- Perform preventative maintenance to stop drips and leaks
- Have installed low flow toilets (use 1.6 gallons per flush or less)
- Have landscaping that utilizes native species

### **Conserve energy**

- Track overall energy bills
- Regularly perform preventative maintenance on HVAC system
- Keep office doors and windows closed if HVAC system is on
- Have adopted a policy/practice to turn off lights in unoccupied rooms
- Have installed high efficiency fluorescent ballasts and lamps (T-5 and T-8)
- Have adopted a policy/practice to minimize the use of lighting during night cleaning
- Use ENERGY STAR qualified appliances (commercial kitchens, heating and cooling, consumer electronics)

### **Offer a green events package**

- Include the availability of "green meetings/conferences" in marketing packages (see the factsheet on Environmentally-Responsible Conferences & Events)
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For more information on **Hyatt Place Richmond Chester**, see [www.chester.place.hyatt.com](http://www.chester.place.hyatt.com) or contact Terry Ford at [terry.ford@hyatt.com](mailto:terry.ford@hyatt.com) or 804-530-4600.

For more information on the Virginia Green program, see [www.deq.virginia.gov/p2/viriniagreen](http://www.deq.virginia.gov/p2/viriniagreen).



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