



# Ritz-Carlton

## Tyson's Corner

### McLean, Virginia

**Virginia Green Lodging** is the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality's (DEQ) initiative to promote pollution prevention (P2) practices in the tourism and hospitality industry. *Green Lodging* encourages hotels, resorts, and other hospitality operations to be aware of their impact on the environment and to take steps to reduce these impacts. *Green Lodging* is a non-regulatory program, and participation is completely voluntary and free of charge.

### *The Ritz-Carlton*

The Ritz-Carlton, Tysons Corner has a total of 398 guest rooms including 50 suites and 34 club level rooms, each with views of Washington, D.C. or the Blue Ridge Mountains. The hotel features three fine dining options, the Steakhouse, the Lobby Lounge, and Maestro, as well as a day spa, meeting rooms and conference facilities, and wedding and social occasion accommodations. Ritz-Carlton, Tyson's Corner is committed to environmental excellence and works to minimize environmental impacts whenever possible.

**Green Lodging Activities.** When visiting Ritz-Carlton, Tysons Corner, you can expect the following practices:

- 🌱 **Optional Linen Service**
- 🌱 **Recycling**
- 🌱 **Water Conservation**
- 🌱 **Energy Conservation**
- 🌱 **Green Events/Conference Package**

#### **Optional Linen Service**

- Train house cleaners on process of optional linen service
- Minimize the use of bleach and chlorinated chemicals

#### **Recycling**

- Recycle glass, aluminum cans, steel cans, grease, plastic, office paper, toner cartridges, newspaper, cardboard, fluorescent lamps, batteries, electronic equipment, and ballast

#### **Waste Reduction**

- Track overall waste bills
- Eliminate use of Styrofoam
- Provide condiments, cream and sugar in bulk

- Refill water pitchers to minimize single use bottles
- Implement effective food inventory system to minimize waste
- Purchase recycled-content paper-towels
- Purchase from vendors and service providers with a commitment to the environment
- Use electronic correspondence and forms
- Purchase durable equipment and furniture
- Use latex paint
- Recycle/dispose of thinners and solvents properly
- Use preventative maintenance on all appliances, HVAC systems, plumbing and vehicles
- Effective inventory system and labeling of last-in/first-out
- Use least toxic materials
- Minimize use of pesticides and herbicides

### Water Conservation

- Tracking overall water usage and wastewater
- Preventative maintenance of drips and leaks
- High efficiency dishwashers
- Use dry clean up methods over water-based methods
- Effective landscape management plan
- Effective storm water management plan



### Energy Conservation

- Track overall energy bills and set a numeric goal to reduce
- Use high efficiency fluorescent ballasts and lamps
- Individual thermostats in each room
- Use natural lighting whenever possible
- Purchase EnergyStar computers and appliances
- Thermal rated windows and insulation

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For more information on **Ritz-Carlton, Tysons Corner**, see [www.RitzCarlton.com](http://www.RitzCarlton.com).

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



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