



Virginia Green Restaurants



Market 810 on the VCU Campus Richmond, VA

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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Virginia Green is an important way to let our students and guests know that VCU Dining Services is committed to environmental initiatives, and is striving to take a leadership role.

Last year, the Green Report Card awarded VCU Dining Services an "A" for their dining initiatives.

Virginia Green Activities

This facility pledges that they:

Eliminate the use of Polystyrene and minimize disposables

- Do not use disposable containers

Recycle Grease

- Use our grease to make bio-diesel

Recycle and Reduce Waste

- Glass (required for Virginia Green restaurants)
- Aluminum Cans
- Steel Cans
- Plastic
- Toner Cartridges
- Newspaper
- Office Paper
- Cardboard
- Packing Supplies
- Fluorescent Lamps (may required by law)
- Batteries
- Electronics equipment - computers, etc.
- Track overall waste bills
- Have numeric goal to reduce overall materials that go to the landfill
- Donate excess food from events
- Have an effective food inventory control to minimize waste
- Purchase locally grown produce and other foods
- Purchase organic and / or 'sustainably-grown' foods
- Use reusable dishware and glassware & minimize use of disposables
- Use non-bleached napkins and coffee filters
- Provide condiments, cream and sugar, etc. in bulk
- Use Virginia Green logo to indicate organic, local, or sustainable menu choices
- Use bulk soap dispensers in public restrooms
- Use high-efficiency hand dryers
- Purchase recycled content paper towels and toilet paper
- Use a last-in/first-out inventory & effective labeling systems
- Encourage suppliers to minimize packaging and other waste materials
- Use electronic correspondence and forms
- Using 'green' Cleaners that are dispensed in bulk
- Purchase durable equipment and furniture
- Use latex paints that are low-VOC
- Properly recycle and / or disposal of thinners and solvents (required by law)
- Use less toxic materials
- Use 'integrated pest management' (IPM)
- Minimize use of pesticides and herbicides in landscaping

Use Water Efficiently

- Track overall water usage and wastewater
- Perform preventative maintenance to stop drips and leaks
- Have high efficiency dishwashers
- Have low flow bathroom sink faucets and showerheads (sink faucets use no more than 1.5 gallons per minute (gpm), showerheads no more than 2.5 gpm)
- Have low flow toilets (use 1.6 gallons or less per flush - 1.6 gpf)
- Have an effective landscape management plan
- Utilize drought tolerant species
- Minimize lawn areas

Conserve Energy

- Track overall energy bills
- Have evaluated existing ovens and other kitchen equipment for energy efficiency
- Have considered upgrading to an Energy Star Commercial Kitchen Package
- Use high efficiency compact fluorescent light bulbs in all rooms and in canned lighting
- Use LED Exit Signs
- Have a high efficiency heating & air conditioning (HVAC) system
- Perform preventative maintenance on HVAC system
- Use lighting sensors to turn on / off lights
- Purchase ENERGY STAR computers, appliances, etc.
- Use LEED criteria when developing new buildings



For more information on **Market 810 on the VCU Campus**, see www.campusdish.com/en-US/
www.campusdish.com/en-US/CSMA/VirginiaCommonwealth/Locations/Market810.htm or
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For more information on the Virginia Green program,
see www.deq.virginia.gov/p2/viriniagreen.



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