



## Virginia Green Lodging Profile:



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# Quality Inn & Suites

## Virginia Beach, Virginia

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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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**Green Statement:** We went 'green' because it's the "right thing to do".

### CORE ACTIVITIES for Lodging

“” This symbol indicates a required activity for Virginia Green Lodging facilities. Participants self-certify that these activities are in place and they provide additional specifics on other activities. Visitors to **Quality Inn & Suites** can expect the following practices:

**Optional Linen Service.** Virginia Green Lodging facilities must have some sort of system in place that allows guests to not have their sheets and towels changed every day. This facility pledges that they:

- Change linens only upon request
- Train house cleaners on process for optional linen service

**Recycling and Waste Reduction.** Virginia Green Lodging facilities must recycle Glass Bottles and are highly encouraged to maintain a comprehensive recycling program. This facility pledges that they:

- Recycle: glass, aluminum cans, plastic, newspaper, cardboard
- Track overall waste bills
- Have numeric goal to reduce overall materials that go to the landfill
- Instruct housekeeping to save and reuse unopened items
- Recycle fryer grease
- Have an effective food inventory control to minimize waste
- Use bulk soap dispensers in public restrooms
- Use a last-in/first-out inventory and labeling system
- Purchase from vendors and service providers with a commitment to the environment
- Use electronic correspondence and forms
- Re-use paint thinners

**Water Conservation.** The facility must have a plan for conserving water that should consider plumbing modifications and landscaping. This facility pledges that they:

- Track overall water usage and wastewater
- Have a numeric goal to reduce water consumption over time
- Perform preventative maintenance to stop drips and leaks
- Have:

- low flow restrictors on faucets and showerheads
- low flow toilets

**Energy Conservation.** The facility must have a plan in place that encourages replacement of lighting and equipment to energy-efficient alternatives. This facility pledges that they:

- Track overall energy bills
- Have had an energy audit to identify efficiency opportunities
- Have a numeric goal of how much they want to reduce their energy usage over time
- Have high efficiency heating & air conditioning (HVAC) systems
- Perform preventative maintenance on HVAC system
- Have individual thermostats for each room/area

**Green Events Package.** The facility must offer a “green” or “environmentally-friendly” package for conferences, meetings and other events. Even if the facility only offers occasional, small events, at least recycling will be provided.

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For more information on **Quality Inn & Suites**, contact **Verne Burlage** at [burlage@cox.net](mailto:burlage@cox.net) or **757-428-8935**.

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



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