

Recycled-Content (Green Procurement) Evaluation Sheet [Up To 15*] Points Possible

Instructions: Please complete this evaluation sheet. To increase recycled-content purchasing and sustainable practices, CalRecycle includes this in their grant scoring criteria. Remember to take into account what the entire governing body is purchasing and implementing. (Please see the backside for details).

Note: Individual grant programs may customize this form. Therefore, applicants must complete the form included within the grant application packet.

Recycled-Content (Green Procurement) policy	Points Possible [3*]
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2 points possible if the policy is adopted during the application period by the applicant or its governing body.

Have you adopted a policy?

No Yes If yes, date adopted: _____ By: _____ (governing body, executive officer)

With or without an adopted policy	Points Possible [4*]
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Evidence of purchasing recycled-content or other sustainable products

(.5 pts per check)

Check the recycled-content or other sustainable products you have purchased within the past year:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Paper - copy paper, brochures, flyers, educational materials | <input type="checkbox"/> Steel - fencing, power tools, automobiles, furniture | <input type="checkbox"/> Water based cleaning solutions for printers and equipment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Plastic - lumber, carpet, signs, promotional items, | <input type="checkbox"/> Tire - derived - flooring, mats, playground and track surfaces | <input type="checkbox"/> Less toxic chemicals, pesticides, and cleaners |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Retread tires - passenger, truck, bus, trailer, equipment tires | <input type="checkbox"/> Solvents - for cleaning heavy equipment, printers, and parts | <input type="checkbox"/> Low/no VOC (volatile organic compound) products |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Glass - windows, fiberglass insulation, beakers | <input type="checkbox"/> Re-refined oil - lubricating oils for motors and engines | <input type="checkbox"/> Low energy use - lights, appliances, and equipment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Paper products (janitorial supplies), boxes, ceiling tiles | <input type="checkbox"/> Compost/mulch - landscaping materials, erosion control | <input type="checkbox"/> Water efficient products |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Latex paint - graffiti abatement, interior & exterior paint | <input type="checkbox"/> Less polluting equipment, vehicle, and machinery | <input type="checkbox"/> Other please list: _____
(Innovative examples on backside) |

With or without an adopted policy	Points Possible [4*]
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Evidence of purchasing recycled-content or other sustainable products

(.5 pts per check)

(Sustainable practices result in resource conservation and/or efficiency)

Check the sustainable practices you have performed within the past year:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Integrated pest management | <input type="checkbox"/> Renewable energy | <input type="checkbox"/> Water-efficiency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grasscycling | <input type="checkbox"/> Energy efficiency | <input type="checkbox"/> Demolition debris recycling |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Composting/mulching | <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainable construction | <input type="checkbox"/> Operations & maintenance-xeriscaping, natural fertilizers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please list: _____
(Innovative examples on backside) | | |

With or without an adopted policy	Points Possible [4*]
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Evaluation- Evaluate the policy and efforts by addressing positive and negative features.

Positive:

Negative:

*For this form example, 100 points is used to determine grant eligibility. Recycled-Content (Green Procurement) accounts for 15% of the points determining eligibility. Each Grant Program determines point distribution.

Overview

Purchasing recycled-content products creates markets for the materials that local and state governments divert in complying with Assembly Bills 939 and 75. If these diversion efforts are to be successful, adequate markets must exist for the diverted material. It is arguable that no better market development tool exists than purchasing recycled-content products that contain the diverted materials.

In addition, implementing other sustainable practices reduces the amount of waste being generated in the first place. To help ensure that resources are conserved and markets exist for the recycled-content products, a minimum of fifteen percent of the points used to determine eligibility in competitive grant applications be used to evaluate the “Evidence of a Recycled Content Purchasing Policy or Directive” In competitive grant applications. With approval from CalRecycle, this can be lowered to ten percent.

This evaluation sheet was designed to assist grant programs in applying CalRecycle’s direction. Applicants can receive points for having a Policy, purchasing recycled-content products or performing sustainable practices, and self-evaluating their efforts.

In addition to the bottom line market development benefits of “buying recycled” and conserving resources, there are numerous other reasons to promote sustainable practices and the procurement and purchase of recycled-content products by local and state governments. Some reasons include:

- Less manufacturing waste and pollution
- A reduction in energy and water consumption
- Reduced reliance on natural resources
- Economic development
- Job creation

Innovative Approaches

Thousands of sustainable products and practices can be purchased and/or implemented. All of which have less environmental impacts than standard products and practices. The possibilities are endless. By allowing applicants to receive points for innovative purchases and practices, we can learn from one another. Here are some innovative approaches that governments, businesses, and households are implementing.

- Require staff to rent alternative fueled vehicles when traveling
- Require that 10% of their fleet be electric vehicles
- Local area networks
- Closed offices on Fridays
- Telecommuting

Sample Procurement Policies are available at: www.calrecycle.ca.gov/BuyRecycled/policies.

Public Contract Code (PCC) 12210: All local and state public agencies shall purchase recycled products instead of non-recycled products, so long as price, quality, and availability are comparable.

PCC 12205: On and after January 1, 2000 at least fifty percent (50%) of State purchases are required to be recycled products.

PCC 12213: All public agencies shall require the bidder to certify the amount of recycled material in all products. No product manufactured with post-consumer or secondary material shall be discriminated against for reason other than function. Recycled-content products are to be preferred over non-recycled-content products.