

## **GREEN POLICY**

BC Designs INT Ltd acknowledges and recognises that its operations have an impact on the global and local environment.

We believe strongly in reducing our carbon footprint and are making every effort within our business to reducing energy consumption and emissions. We have implemented policies to encourage staff to closely monitor energy usage and have regular meetings to check that these policies are working.

We are committed to working towards sustainable development in our policies and programmes, to specific actions such as energy conservation, renewable energy generation, reducing pollution from travel, coordinating wildlife conservation, raising environmental awareness, greater re-use and recycling of waste, responsible purchasing and supporting community groups and business in local environmental action.

## **GREEN POLICY STATEMENT**

We are committed to sustainable development (meeting the needs of the present without compromising the future) as a guiding principle within all of our Group Companies. Concern for the planet and its future is an integral part and fundamental ideal we will work to. Our aim is to reduce the impact on the environment from ours and our customers operations.

The Company recognises its responsibility to protect the environment. This statement is a declaration of the Company's intent to ensure we adequately manage our works, prevent pollution and continually improve the operation and environmental management of our activities to lesson or eliminate any adverse effect on the environment.

Our policy is to control energy consumption to avoid wasted expense, to improve cost-effectiveness, productivity and working conditions and protect the environment.

This policy will be made available to all interested parties and members of the public upon request and will be implemented by adopting the following main principles in a proactive manner.

In order to achieve this, BC Designs INT will:

### **Environmental Management**

- Promote high environmental standards and the use of environmental best practices throughout the business in its day-to-day operations.
- Maintain our Environmental Policy to continually identify and manage our environmental impacts via a regular review.
- Comply with relevant legislation, client and other requirements that apply to all our work activities as a minimum.
- Promote the Company's environmental principles to our supply chain to encourage the adoption of appropriate levels of environmental management and to support the Company objectives and targets.
- Identify and implement the training needs of all our employees, subcontractors and suppliers to raise environmental awareness across the business.
- Educate, train and motivate staff to conduct their activities in an environmentally responsible manner.

### **Sustainable Development**

- Conduct an environmental impact assessment of significant new policies and programmes
- Influence partners, external service and goods providers, and other local agencies to work towards sustainable development.
- Source environmentally sustainable materials, reduce our waste and consumption of energy and raw materials and maximise opportunities to re-use and recycle where possible.

### **Waste**

- Work towards minimising waste and maximising the re-use, recovery and recycling of materials.

- Implement actions to reduce waste and increase recycling within the Company.
- Use registered waste disposal companies for the removal of all waste streams.
- Always maintain high standards of cleanliness in respect of litter and waste packaging.

### **Energy**

- Implement actions to achieve reductions in greenhouse gas emissions within our operations and reduce the use of all energy sources, ensuring lights are turned off, heating is not on unnecessarily etc.
- Support and facilitate the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions (such as CO<sub>2</sub>) by encouraging energy conservation and renewable energy generation.
- To control our energy consumption by reviewing and improving our purchasing, operating, motivation and training practices
- Monitor energy usage through accurate monthly consumption data.
- Communicate the energy used and improvement measures to all staff on a regular basis.
- Set and publish energy saving targets through annual targets.
- Provide annual management reports on consumption.
- Comply with all legislation, standards and practices relating to energy use at both a company and individual level.

### **Renewable Energy**

- Encourage and support the greater use of renewable energy.
- Increase the proportion of energy from renewable sources used within the Company.

### **Water**

- Implement actions to achieve reductions in water usage within Company buildings.
- Support and facilitate water conservation measures.

### **Transport**

- Minimise the environmental impact of the Company's fleet vehicles and car mileage, to, from and at work by employees.
- Ensure all company vehicles meet all emission standards – keep vehicles in good condition.
- Encourage cycling, walking and vehicle sharing where possible

### **Purchasing**

- Minimise the environmental impact of all purchases of goods and services.
- Consider all environmental impacts of new equipment or new work undertaken.
- Work in partnership with our suppliers and contractors to minimise the environmental impacts of their goods and services.

### **Biodiversity**

- Protect and enhance the natural environment whenever possible.
- Ensure any cleaning agents / chemicals that are used do not present an environmental hazard and are of a biodegradable nature.