



Reduce Reuse Recycle

SUSTAINABILITY STATEMENT

Customs House operates under the University of Queensland's Environmental Management System which has been in place since 1996. UQ's Environmental policy and procedures highlights the importance the University places on identifying and managing the impacts that its activities may have on the environment.

This is why we at Customs House take responsibility for our impact on the environment and continuously work towards minimising that impact. By identifying and managing the impacts that our activities may have on the environment, we take a proactive approach to sustainability and have committed to taking action in this area.

Sustainability at Customs House:

- We undertook a greenhouse gas emissions audit in order to measure and manage our impact on the environment
- We apply energy-saving and efficiency technologies
- We conduct energy audits, detailing opportunities for energy efficiency
- We turn off electrical equipment when not in use
- We have implemented a Water Efficiency Management Plan
- We have a procurement policy in place specifying required energy and water ratings for appliances
- We conduct waste audits and promote recycling
- We make demands of our suppliers to take back packaging for re-use
- We account for food mileage, serve UTZ certified coffee, organic wines, and purchase local produce where possible
- We use ecolabelled cleaning agents
- We conduct staff training to ensure that our staff is aware of sustainability measures

Customs House is working together with the UQ Business School Sustainable Business Unit to develop appropriate greenhouse gas management strategies.

UQ's Environmental Policy and Procedures can be viewed at : www.pf.uq.edu.au/ems.html.

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