

WASHROOMS & SUSTAINABILITY





SUSTAINABILITY AT COUNTY WASHROOMS

As the importance of sustainability grows among our clients, we take pride in our ability to adhere to major environmental accreditations when required for projects.

Our commitment to environmental responsibility as an installer and partner or main manufacturers drives us to continually seek ways to enhance our practices and minimise our environmental impact.

This includes the use of FSC® certified timber and materials crafted from recycled products whenever possible.

Recognising the pivotal role sustainability plays, we integrate eco-friendly considerations throughout every phase of our projects, from initial design and material specification to working with manufacturers, delivery, installation, and even the projected lifecycle of our products.

Handling all aspects in-house and collaborating with a select number of quality laminate manufacturers allows us to consistently address sustainability implications.

Looking ahead, our focus remains on utilising sustainable materials, reducing waste, and minimising energy consumption, with an emphasis on preassembled or modular products to streamline deliveries and installation processes, ultimately contributing to a more environmentally conscious approach.

Attaining our sustainability objectives in washroom design is not only possible but practical.

By integrating pre-plumbed, factory-tested products from our suppliers, we not only guarantee product excellence but also slash packaging by 90%, making onsite installation 50% faster compared to traditional plain panel method systems.

This not only significantly reduces energy consumption but also cuts down labour costs. Furthermore, our commitment to sustainability extends to our wood-based materials, all of which are ethically sourced from FSC certified suppliers in our solutions.



ACHIEVING A SUSTAINABLE OFFICE WASHROOM BY MINIMISING PLASTIC WASTE IS SIMPLER THAN YOU THINK.

With the increasing concern about plastic pollution and the growing importance of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), businesses are keen to make a positive impact.

The issue of plastic waste, particularly its impact on oceans and ecosystems, is significant, with over 8 million tonnes entering the world's oceans annually.

Businesses can play a crucial role in mitigating this environmental challenge, starting with overlooked areas like the washrooms.

Below, you can see how businesses can effectively reduce waste, contributing to a more sustainable and eco-friendly washroom environment.

MINIMISE PAPER TOWEL USAGE:

Excessive paper towel consumption contributes significantly to office washroom waste. Instead of single-use paper towels, consider opting for air hand dryers, especially modern, energy-efficient models. Alternatively, switch to reusable hand towels crafted from materials like cotton or bamboo, promoting a more sustainable and eco-friendly approach.



• TRANSITION TO REUSABLE DISPENSERS:

Move away from the environmental impact of single-use plastic dispensers for hand soap and other washroom products. Embrace refillable dispensers that can be replenished, reducing the overall plastic waste generated by the business.

• INSTALL WATER-EFFICIENT FIXTURES:

Conserve the precious resource of water by installing fixtures designed for efficiency. Low-flow toilets, taps, and motion-activated sinks are excellent choices to minimise water usage in the washroom, aligning with sustainable practices.



EMBRACE ECO-FRIENDLY CLEANING PRODUCTS & RECYCLING INITIATIVES:



Many conventional cleaning products contribute to plastic waste through single-use packaging. Choose eco-friendly cleaning alternatives packaged in biodegradable materials or opt for refillable options. Introduce designated recycling bins in the workplace to facilitate proper waste management.

• EDUCATE AND INSPIRE EMPLOYEES:

Foster a culture of environmental responsibility by educating employees on the significance of reducing plastic waste and promoting a sustainable office washroom. Highlight the steps the business is taking to minimise plastic waste, encouraging employees to contribute to a greener workplace through their actions.





ENHANCING ECO-FRIENDLY PRACTICES FOR A GREENER WASHROOM

• INTRODUCE PLASTIC-FREE BABY CHANGING STATIONS:

Foster environmental responsibility by installing plastic-free and eco-friendly baby changing stations. This initiative contributes to reducing plastic waste and ensures a sustainable environment for the little ones.



• OPT FOR ENERGY-EFFICIENT ILLUMINATION:



Illuminate your washroom sustainably by switching to energy-efficient light bulbs. Consider incorporating motion sensor lights to minimise energy consumption, making your washroom both eco-conscious and costeffective.

CHOOSE RECYCLABLE PARTITIONS:

Elevate your washroom sustainability by opting for partitions crafted from 100% recyclable materials. Materials like stainless steel or some plastics or even the use of wood, not only enhance durability but also actively contribute to reducing environmental impact.

• SUMMARY:

Reducing plastic waste and promoting sustainability in your workplace washrooms is a paramount objective for responsible businesses. By implementing these measures to curtail plastic usage and enhance eco-friendly practices, businesses can significantly lessen their environmental footprint and play a pivotal role in preserving our planet.

WHAT IS OUR ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN?

We have identified specific areas for ongoing monitoring and enhancement:

• **REFRIGERANT EMISSIONS**:

Addressing emissions from sources like office air conditioners to minimise refrigerant impact.

• WASTE MANAGEMENT:

Vigilantly tracking waste types and disposal methods for a comprehensive waste management strategy.

• STREAMLINING LOGISTICS:

Actively working to shorten the logistics trail, aiming to reduce transportation and distribution-related environmental impact.

CRADLE-TO-GRAVE TRACKING:

Implementing a comprehensive system to monitor product operation until disposal, including the method of disposal.

Introducing measures to upcycle or recycle products, contributing to their use in replacement products for a sustainable product life cycle.





At [Insert your Company / Organisation], our dedication to reducing our environmental impact and championing sustainable practices is unwavering. Our washroom sustainability plan is designed to seamlessly incorporate ecofriendly initiatives into our facilities, ensuring a harmonious balance between maintaining top-notch hygiene standards and prioritising user satisfaction. Below is an in-depth overview of our strategic approach:

Water Conservation:

Install water-efficient fixtures, such as low-flow toilets and sensor-activated flushes, to reduce water consumption.

Regularly inspect and promptly fix any leaks or water wastage issues.

Energy-Efficient Lighting:

Transition to energy-efficient LED lighting to reduce electricity consumption in washroom areas.

Implement motion sensors to ensure lights are only active when needed.

Green Cleaning Products:

Utilise environmentally friendly and biodegradable cleaning products to minimise the impact on water systems and indoor air quality.

Explore local suppliers for cleaning materials to reduce transportation-related emissions.

Waste Management:

Implement a robust waste separation system, encouraging the use of recycling and composting bins alongside regular waste bins. Introduce a "Zero-Waste" initiative, promoting the reduction of single-use items in washroom facilities.





Renewable Energy Sources:

Investigate the feasibility of incorporating renewable energy sources, such as solar panels, to power washroom facilities.

Explore energy-efficient hand dryers as an alternative to paper towels.

Educational Signage:

Install informative signage to raise awareness among users about the importance of water conservation, waste reduction, and sustainable practices in the washroom.

Local and Sustainable Sourcing:

Source washroom supplies, including paper products and hand soaps, from local and sustainable suppliers to reduce the carbon footprint associated with transportation.

Regular Audits and Assessments:

Conduct periodic audits to evaluate the effectiveness of our sustainability initiatives.

Collect feedback from users and staff to identify areas for improvement and innovation.

Community Engagement:

Organise awareness campaigns and workshops to engage employees and visitors in sustainable washroom practices.

Collaborate with local environmental organisations to promote broader sustainability initiatives.

Continuous Improvement:

Regularly review and update the sustainability plan to align with emerging technologies and best practices in environmental conservation.

Through the execution of this sustainability plan for our washrooms, our objective is to foster a healthier, environmentally conscious, and delightful experience for all users, thereby actively participating in the collective effort to create a more sustainable future.

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