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12 CONSIDER CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION

12.2.7. Disposable policy: extensions to services



EGE UNIVERSITY GREEN PURCHASING POLICY

The concept of Sustainable Campus is a holistic management approach that prioritises environmental awareness in all activities of the University, carries out environmental activities in this direction, aims to make sustainability a culture of life for students and employees during and after the education and training period, and includes students, academic and administrative staff, media, local governments, regional businesses and other stakeholders of the campus. Within the scope of this understanding, a policy of maintaining an environmentally orientated management system that includes purchasing, transformation and logistics activities has been established.

Green purchasing is based on the procurement of products and services that are more sensitive to human health and the environment. In the process of purchasing and using equipment, products and services with high energy efficiency and environmental sensitivity, it requires careful and informed decisions on issues such as supplier selection, product life cycle assessment, environmental cost analysis, training and awareness, green supply chain management, legal compliance and collaborations. Within the scope of this policy, Ege University aims to achieve its environmental sustainability targets;

- Carrying out procurement activities within the framework of this concept to the extent permitted by campus legal regulations,
- Organising training activities and seminars to raise awareness of regional suppliers on green procurement,
- Preferring suppliers with a high level of environmental awareness in supplier evaluations (for this purpose, requesting ISO 14025 Environmental Product certificate, Ecolabel certificate, Energy Star, etc. certificates from suppliers, making necessary initiatives to include the Lifetime Cost principle in the legislation and in product selections ...)
- Determining the principles of the campus regarding reverse logistics activities and carrying out necessary actions,
- Determining the principles regarding the logistics activities of the campus based on purchasing (less transport, transport from a central point, short routes, etc.) and carrying





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out the necessary actions in this direction,

- Prevention of unnecessary product and service purchases
- Purchase of ECO-labelled / environmentally friendly products and services
- Working with suppliers with environmental certificates and standards (ISO 14000, EMAS (Eco-Management and Audit Scheme) etc.)
- Preference for durable and long-lasting products
- Considering long-term costs such as energy efficiency and low maintenance costs as well as short-term costs in purchasing decisions
- Ensuring that employees are informed and participate by organising trainings on sustainability, green purchasing practices, environmental impacts and laws

Ege University adopts the application of the above listed articles.

Within the scope of waste reduction efforts, the Zero Waste Action Plan was put into action by our Rectorate in 2023.

Headings in the plan;

The target, target audience, responsible unit, activity and implementation method, period, stakeholders and realization status are presented to our Rector periodically. In this context;



For Waste Reduction;

Within the scope of the Zero Waste Plan, which was implemented in the new period for campus supply companies and purchases, the policies to be considered in purchases were included.





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Some Articles of Zero Waste Action Plan

1. Green purchasing

Purchase of materials in large size packages Receiving refillable cartridges and rechargeable batteries Purchasing recycled paper

- 2. Responsible consumption
- Putting printers in economical printing mode
- Setting printers for double-sided printing
- Using waste papers as drafts
- Switching to sensor soap dispensers
- Using paperclips and staples instead of plastic bags







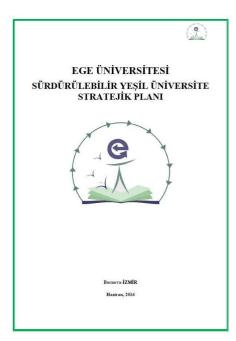
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RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION

The disposable material policy covering the supply chain and outsourced services is "reverse logistics" and "green purchasing". In this context within the framework of the "sustainable green university strategic plan" and "sustainable green university guide" has been relased efforts are underway to implementation.





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By the academic year 2019-2020, Ege University hosts a total number of 61628 students. The university has 10592 academic and administrative staff. Ege University serves students and staff daily with 3 student cafeterias and 7 staff cafeterias on the main campus.

Dining services are provided in the student cafeterias (breakfast, lunch and dinner) and staff cafeterias (lunch), no other outside catering services is received. According to the reverse logistics principle of the University, all our production activities take place in the kitchen of our No.1 Student Cafeteria within the central campus. Plastic materials (fork, spoon, plate, etc.) are not used in the university cafeterias in order to reduce the use of plastic. For this purpose, packaged food is not sold in university cafeterias. In this way, disposable materials usage have been greatly reduced in the campus.



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