

Environmentally Conscientious

The Hilton Orlando, recently certified as a **Green Lodging Facility** by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, is proud to be a member of a community as vibrant, conscientious, and healthy as Orlando. We support our customers, our neighbors, and our partners in their efforts to improve our community, the region, and the planet. We are proud to share these environmentally conscientious measures and practices that are in place at our hotel:

1. Hilton Orlando is **Green by Design**:

- **Primary irrigation for landscaping** that surrounds the hotel is from reclaimed water. This offers benefits like increased water quantity and decreased diversion of freshwater from wetlands and other ecosystems. This also contributes to improved water quality by reducing the amount of runoff entering rivers, lakes, and other water bodies.
- **Landscape design**: designers incorporated key elements of Central Florida's natural environment.
- **Structural Systems**: The construction of the Hilton Orlando contains 20% fly ash in the concrete foundations, columns, and floor slabs. This converts to enough energy saved to provide electricity to an average home for 24 days, the landfill space conserved equals 455 days of solid waste produced by the average American, and the reduction in CO2 emissions equals 2 months of emissions from an automobile
- **Mechanical and Electrical Systems**: We used the most current and energy efficient designs and products used in the development of the building of the Hilton Orlando. We have energy efficient chillers, CO2 sensors in return air systems, independent switches, occupancy sensors, site lighting controlled by photo cell and time clock, and water source heating pump. All save energy.

2. We **recycle all cardboard products** used in the hotel. This includes boxes, cartons, crates, to-go cartons, etc. All used cardboard products are placed on the back dock in a mass storage bin and transported to a recycling center.

3. **Housekeeping linen/towel reuse option/water conservation**: We place in every guest room a "Recycling Card" that offers customers the choice to have bedding linens cleaned every 3 days and at checkout. The guest can opt for daily change by placing the "Recycling Card" on the pillow. This conserves water because when the guest chooses, the linens are not washed every day.

4. **Engineering and Energy Efficiency**: Lights and air conditioning are turned off when meeting rooms and guest rooms are not in use. Our energy efficiency program also includes usage of energy efficient light bulbs throughout the building. The lighting provides bright, warm light but uses about 75% less energy than standard lighting, produces 75% less heat, and lasts up to 10 times longer.

5. **Public transportation**: We are in close proximity to rental car agencies that offer hybrid rental vehicles. In addition, the I-Ride Trolley stops at the hotel, offering energy saving public transportation to all of the attractions, shopping, and restaurants along International Drive.

6. **Reusable items in food service areas**: In our Main Kitchen, Pastry Kitchen, and Employee Cafeteria, Hilton Orlando provides bulk dispensers and reusable containers for beverages, food and condiments. In each of our dining outlets, linen napkins, silverware, and tablecloths are used when food and beverages are served. During meetings and banquets, reusable items are also used. Pads in meeting rooms are from recycled paper.



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7. **Paperless check-in & check-out:** We have a self-serve kiosk located in the main lobby for check-in and check-out.

8. **Recyclable products used:** We use recycled paper products, eco-smart coffee cups and recycled to-go boxes in meeting areas. We are proud to have Starbucks on-site as they won a National Recycling Coalition Recycling Works Award because of their major contributions to the environment. Starbucks uses recycled products in all of their food packaging for coffee cups.

9. **Training our Team Members on green initiatives:** Each hotel department is trained and informed about the hotel's green initiatives and each team member is encouraged to communicate with the hotel's operation team to find new ways to conserve energy throughout the hotel.

10. **Other environmental initiatives:**

- The team is committed to using as much **electronic communication** as possible to conserve paper.
- Hilton Hotels Corporation has provided "**green tools**" such as e-proposals, POGs (Private Online Group Webpage) and e-events booking systems which can be used online to conserve paper.
- Hilton Orlando is proud to participate in and host several charity events that benefit the **Orlando Community Food Bank** which is a non-profit organization that delivers over 22 million pounds of food and groceries a year to a variety of people in need.
- For meetings with 50 people or less, guests are provided with **eco-pens** and **recycling bins** for the meeting.



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