

Environmental Purchasing Policy

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Introduction

BrisDoc Healthcare Services recognises the critical need to ensure its sustainability by carrying out its purchasing activities in an environmentally responsible manner that also supports its core value of resource care.

Patient Care 	Workforce Care 	Patient Care Patient focused - understanding our patients needs and ensuring we prioritise the “patients view” in all our everyday activities and actions.
Quality Care 	Resource Care 	Workforce Care Teamwork and individual responsibility - every person counts, supporting each other, sharing information, valuing and encouraging. Quality Care Commitment to do what we say and improve what we do. A commitment to excellence and quality when serving patients and colleagues. Resource Care Optimising the use of all resources across the local health economy. Taking care of our working environment and equipment.

Purpose

BrisDoc will give preference to purchasing environmentally preferable products and services that meet current performance, safety and regulatory requirements. BrisDoc will continue to source and increase the purchase of products and services that are deemed “environmentally preferable”.

Scope

BrisDoc shall therefore undertake to develop purchasing by having regard to quality and cost, which includes:

- specifying wherever possible and reasonably practicable, the use of environmentally friendly or sustainable materials and products,
- promoting the use of long lasting and recyclable products,
- not using environmentally damaging products where an alternative product or method is available,
- investigating if it is necessary to purchase the product,
- sourcing and purchasing items from local producers and suppliers, wherever possible,
- ensuring that all specifications contain a facility for potential suppliers to submit prices for environmentally friendly alternative supplies,
- Clarifying potential contractors environmental credentials before contracting with them (Appendix 1).

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All purchasing will promote the use of the least environmentally damaging products, i.e. to place a preference, where design and safety factors allow, on goods which are:

- durable, reusable, refillable or recyclable,
- recycled or contain reused materials,
- from a proven sustainable source,
- energy efficient,
- designed to cause minimal damage to the environment in their production, distribution, use and disposal,
- economically viable and meet the requirements of value for money and quality.
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Related Policies and Procedures

- Environmental Management Policy
- Environmental Contractor Questionnaire
- Energy Management Policy

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Appendix 1. Contractor Questionnaire

Contractor Questionnaire - Environment

1. Do you have an environmental policy statement? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "Yes", please provide a copy.	
2. Who has overall responsibility for environmental matters within your organisation?	
Name:	Position:
3. Who is appointed to provide competent advice on environmental matters?	
Name:	Contact details:
Position:	Qualifications: <i>(attach separate details if preferred)</i>
4. Has the company carried out an environmental impact assessment and set environmental objectives as a result? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "Yes", please provide details.	
5. Has your environmental management system been externally assessed, e.g. as part of a competency assessment scheme, ISO14001 etc.? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "Yes", please provide details and, where applicable, a copy of the certificate.	
6. Does your company carry any legally required environmental registrations as a result of your work activities? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "Yes", please provide details of the registrations you hold and copies of certificates, e.g. licensed waste carrier, packaging recovery scheme registration, hazardous waste producer registration.	
7. Attach details of any environmental enforcement notices received or prosecutions over the past two years.	

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8. Do you have procedures for dealing with environmental incidents, such as spillages?

Yes No

If "Yes", please attach details.

9. Do you have arrangements for minimising waste, recycling and segregating waste in accordance with your duty of care?

Yes No

If "Yes", please attach details.

10. Please describe your arrangements for environmental monitoring of site work.

11. Please describe your arrangements for training staff in your environmental policy and procedures, including emergency arrangements.

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12. Questionnaire completed by:	
Name:	Telephone:
Company/position:	E-mail:
Signature:	Date:

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Change Register

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11.6.18	2.1	CL Nicholls	Updated values slide, changed SB to HH and update title. New logo in contractor questionnaire.
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