



Green Purchasing: Our Mission

CUHK is committed to purchasing green products that have a reduced negative effect on the environment and/or health while maintaining the principles of value for money as well as open and fair competition.

Green Purchasing Policy and Guidelines

It is the duty of our staff to ensure purchases made by the offices (or the consultants/contractors on behalf of the offices) are consistent with the mandatory requirements in the 'Green Purchasing Guidelines'.

The Guidelines has mandatory green purchasing criteria for 15 products and voluntary green purchasing requirements for 62 products.

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Green Purchasing Policy

<https://www.cpsu.cuhk.edu.hk/green-purchasing-policy.pdf>



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15 products with mandatory green purchasing criteria

Products and Specifications

1 Paper (A4 and A3 for in-house printing)

A4 A3

- 100% recycled paper 100%



2 Multifunction copiers



3 Laser printers

- 'Energy Star' label or other power-saving qualification; built-in duplex function



4 Desktop computers

5 LCD monitors

LCD

6 Notebook computers

- 'Energy Star' label or other power-saving qualification; built-in duplex function



7 Room air conditioners



8 Refrigerators (with storage capacity not exceeding 500L)

500



9 Dehumidifiers (with daily capacity not exceeding 35L)

35

- Grade 1 Energy Label issued by Electrical and Mechanical Services Department (EMSD)



10 Washing machines (with rated capacity not exceeding 7kg)

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- Grade 1 or 2 Energy Label issued by EMSD, with preference for Grade 1
- Grade 1 or 2 of Water Efficiency Label issued by Water Supplies Department (WSD), with preference for Grade 1, or similar water-saving qualification



11 Lamps

- Incandescent lamps should not be purchased
- Compact Fluorescent Lamps (CFLs) should have obtained Grade 1 Energy Label issued by EMSD
- Fluorescent lamp tubes: use T5 tubes (or T4 tubes where applicable), or other more energy-efficient models

T5 T4



12 Fluorescent lamp ballasts

- 'Recognition Type' Energy Label issued by EMSD or other power-saving qualification



13 Paints

- Should be water-based and contain no or low VOCs



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Carpets



- Contain no or low VOCs

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Sustainability-conscious food consumption

The following endangered species or food harvested in ecologically unfriendly way shall not be purchased, served, consumed or promoted:

- Shark's fins
- Bluefin tuna
- Black moss ('fat choy')
- Humphead wrasse
- Hong Kong grouper
- Sturgeon caviar



Green Logos to look for



EMSD
'Recognition Type'
Energy Label



WSD Water
Efficiency Label



EMSD Energy Label



Energy Star Label



Recycled Product Logo

(Image of Energy Labels and Water Efficiency Label are provided by courtesy of EMSD and WSD)

How to Buy

Webpages of Business Office and Information Technology Services Centre (ITSC) feature a number of tender suppliers of products (e.g. A4 and A3 paper, photocopiers, plastic bags, computers, etc.) with mandatory or voluntary specifications. Products that meet the green criteria are labelled with the word 'GREEN!' for easy identification.

For air conditioners, refrigerators, CFLs, dehumidifiers and washing machines, all models sold in Hong Kong have the EMSD Energy Label.

In the case of purchases made by contractors on behalf of the offices (e.g. for renovations, etc.), please refer to the 'Green Purchasing Guidelines' and provide detailed specifications of relevant products to them for information.

A4 A3
GREEN!

Business Office's Centralized Tenders Webpage

https://www.cuhk.edu.hk/fno/stf/eng/bus_centralized_tenders.html

ITSC's Computer Equipment Acquisition Webpage

<http://cuhk.edu.hk/itsc/mcas/hsw/index.html>

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