

Environmental Policy

Hartgraph have been providing print and packaging for over 40 years. Our reputation is for high quality lithographic and digital printing as well as printed packaging.

At Hartgraph we recognise the environmental impact of our operations and are committed to conducting our business in a responsible and sustainable manner. This Environmental Policy outlines our commitments to minimising our ecological footprint.

This policy applies to all operations, products, services, and employees at all locations of Hartgraph Ltd. It also extends to our suppliers, contractors, and partners where feasible.

Our Commitments are:

Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions

- Monitor, report, and work to reduce GHG emissions from all operational activities, including energy use, transportation, and production processes
- Prioritise energy-efficient technologies and renewable energy sources and switch to greener energy where possible

Water Management

- Optimise water use and promote conservation through efficient processes and technology upgrades
- Prevent contamination of water resources by ensuring safe storage and disposal of inks, chemicals, and waste

Air Emissions

- Reduce emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and other air pollutants through improved ink and solvent management, and modern filtration systems
- Regularly monitor and maintain air-handling equipment to reduce fugitive emissions

Waste Management

- Implement a waste hierarchy approach: reduce, reuse, recycle, and recover
- Minimise the generation of non-recyclable and hazardous waste from printing and finishing operations
- Partner with certified waste management contractors for the responsible disposal and recycling of waste

Printing Chemicals and Materials

- Use environmentally preferable products such as low-VOC inks, vegetable-based inks, and water-based solvents whenever feasible.
- Replace hazardous chemicals with safer alternatives and ensure proper labelling, storage, and handling in accordance with regulatory requirements
- Train staff on chemical safety and spill response

Biodiversity Protection

- Ensure that company operations do not adversely affect local biodiversity
- Avoid sourcing materials from suppliers that contribute to habitat destruction or species endangerment.

Deforestation and Sustainable Forest Management

- Source paper and other wood-based products from suppliers certified by recognised sustainable forest management schemes i.e. FSC
- Engage with suppliers to ensure traceability and sustainability of forestry products
- Commit to reducing paper consumption through digital workflows and efficient print planning

Implementation and Responsibility

- The Directors are responsible for the implementation of this policy and the allocation of resources for environmental programs
- The directors are committed to fulfilling the requirements of the ISO 9001:2015 and ISO 14001:2015 standards as well as statutory legislative and regulatory obligations with a dedication to optimal performance and continuous improvement
- All employees are expected to follow this policy and participate in environmental training and awareness programs

5. Monitoring and Continuous Improvement

- Establish measurable objectives and targets for key environmental aspects.
- Conduct regular audits and reviews to assess compliance and performance.
- Encourage feedback and innovation from staff to improve environmental practices.

6. Communication

- This policy will be made available to all employees and stakeholders and published on the company website.
- We will engage transparently with customers, regulators, and the public on our environmental performance and progress.

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