



CERTIFIED GREEN

The **Oakland Marriott City Center hotel and the Oakland Convention Center**, managed by Interstate Hotels and Resorts, are environmental performance oriented operations.

Certified Green since 2001 by the Alameda County Bay Area Green Business Program and recently awarded The Leadership Level from the California Green Lodging Program for the Oakland Marriott City Center. To be certified "green" the Oakland Marriott and the Oakland Convention Center are in compliance with all regulations and meet the program standards for conserving resources, preventing pollution and minimizing waste.

CONSERVING RESOURCES:

- Replaced 985 incandescent lamps with low wattage fluorescent lamps in public areas.
- Replacing 2,498 incandescent lamps with low wattage fluorescent lamps in guest rooms.
- Each of the 484 guest rooms contains ultra low-flow shower heads and low-flow fixtures.
- Completed extensive energy conservation retrofit of HVAC systems including variable speed fans on critical equipment.
- Replaced main dishwasher with efficient model that will reduce water consumption by 55%. Received recognition from EBMUD and PG&E.
- Employ a paperless check-in process.
- Utilize high percentage post consumer paper products where available.
- During the Fall and Winter months the Oakland Marriott and Convention Center uses a free cooling heat exchanger to cool the entire City Block.

PREVENTING POLLUTION:

- Utilize grease waste traps in all food operations to prevent waste grease from entering sewer system.
- Employ waste water containment measures to prevent waste water run-off from entering drains that flow to S.F. Bay.
- Employ toxic waste diversion program with toxic waste disposal companies to dispose of all known toxic waste (paint, thinner, cleaners).
- Utilize hand pump dispensers for cleaning solutions rather than aerosol containers.

MINIMIZING WASTE:

- Separate all newspaper, white paper, cardboard, plastics, aluminum, grease, lightbulbs, and glass for recycling.
- Establishing a solid waste diversion program for compostable food waste for Hotel and neighboring complex of 8 office buildings and 13 restaurants. Diversion estimated at 192,000 lbs per year.
- Implemented a linen re-use program eliminating linen washing each day for long-term guests.
- Employ a "daily newspaper optional" program to eliminate the delivery of newspapers to guests that decline the delivery.
- Employ a "two-sided" copy program for printing on the reverse of all documents used within the Hotel.
- Employ corn starch based clear dinking cups rather than petroleum based polymers.
- Utilize recyclable plastic serving containers rather than cardboard boxes.

THIS DESCRIPTION IS NOT AN EXCLUSIVE OR EXHAUSTIVE LIST OF ALL THE FUNCTIONS THAT WE EMPLOY.