

# Sustainability

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At the Westin O'Hare we embrace our responsibility for environmental stewardship and are committed to integrating leading environmental practices and sustainability principles into our core business strategy. We actively work to reduce the environmental impact of our business activities and to continually improve and innovate on practices aimed at:

- Conserving natural resources
- Minimizing waste and pollution
- Enhancing indoor environmental quality
- Establishing and reporting on key environmental performance indicators
- Raising environmental awareness among our associates, guests and within our communities

## **REDUCE**

- LED and CFLs in guestrooms and corridors, liner free guestroom trash/recycling receptacles
- Energy reducing lobby lighting controls, culinary laundry and HVAC energy management programs
- E-distribution of all internal communications, printers/copiers duplex by default
- Energy star certified televisions, paperless check-in/check-out option, green room linen program
- Linen-free banquet buffet and break tables, 70% post-consumer content trash bags
- 30% reduced plastic bottled water, reduced flow water faucets

## **REUSE**

- Office Paper, copy paper cartons

## **RECYCLE**

- Electronics, batteries, fluorescent lighting
- Comprehensive front and back of the house program for paper, cardboard, plastic, glass and aluminum

## **MAKE A GREEN CHOICE (MAGC)**

- Any guest can Make a Green Choice by forgoing full housekeeping for up to three days in a row (excluding check-out day)
- For each night of opt in, guests can receive Starpoints or a food & beverage voucher, while helping to reduce the use of water, energy and chemicals

## **WORK WELL**

- Our clutter to calm meeting package provides an eco-friendly conference experience
- Receptacle for recyclable materials, organic/environmentally friendly and locally procured menu selections
- Open workspace free from clutter with resource desk
- 30% post consumer content paper