



THE VILLAGE ESTEVAN

Completed Actions: 35

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BUILDING & OPERATIONS

- All non-emergency lights are turned off at closing
- All exit signs are LED and open/closed signs are either LED or non-energy using
- Energy assessment completed by a recognized provider (Fortis BC, BC Hydro, LiveSmart, City Green, etc.)
- ≥ 50% of bulb lighting is LED, and all fluorescent tube lighting is T5 or T8
- Motion sensors installed in less busy areas and/or "Lights Off" signage posted at light switches
- ≥ 75% of office equipment such as printers, computers, laptops and photocopiers are ENERGY STAR® Certified
- Computers and monitors set to sleep when not in use
- Patio heaters are infrared or electric models OR blankets are provided as an alternative to outside heaters
- All cooling equipment is well-insulated and doors are kept tightly closed
- Ceiling fans are used to re-circulate waste heat (for high roofed spaces)
- Boiler system is ENERGY STAR® Certified or is listed under FortisBC's Efficient Boiler program
- High efficiency hot water tank or on-demand water heating system installed

WASTE

- Straw only provided on request OR compostable straws used in place of plastic straws 
- All food waste and soiled paper are composted
- All soft plastics (shrink wrap, plastic bags, etc.) are recycled
- At least one other harder-to-recycle item is being recycled (e.g. Styrofoam™, foil-lined bags, light bulbs, batteries, electronics, appliances)



WATER

- Bottled (still) water is not purchased 

TRANSPORTATION

- Bicycle parking provided for staff and customers
- ≥ 50% of staff commute to work by bike, transit, carpooling or walking
- ≥ 50% of local couriering/deliveries made by low or zero-emission transport OR deliveries have been reduced by ≥ 50%
- ≥ 50% of company-owned vehicles are low or zero-emission models (e.g. bicycle, EV, hybrid, smart car)

PURCHASING & PRODUCTS

- At least three major paper products have ≥ 50% post-consumer recycled content
- Use hydrogen peroxide bleach as an alternative to chlorine bleach
- ≥ 75% of cleaning products are eco-friendly
- Take-away items purchased are 100% compostable 
- At least three main ingredients are organically grown
- At least three main ingredients are grown on Vancouver Island
- Purchases ≥ 20% of all beverages (alc. & non-alc.) produced in BC
- Business does not distribute single-use plastic bags to customers 



CLIMATE ACTION

- Emissions are measured and, along with reduction plans and targets, are communicated to staff and public

SOCIAL

- ≥ 50% employees volunteer in a community event or charitable activity (at least one day per year)
- Annual donations made to local environmental or community-related charities of ≥ \$50 per full-time employee
- Environmental sustainability is incorporated into the hiring process, employee orientations, and training programs
- Environmental values and actions are posted publically (either online or on premises)

ADDITIONAL ACTIONS

- Additional action - based on comparability to the actions listed above – comprehensive and highly efficient compost system newly implemented



= “Surfrider Approved” points for plastic reduction. Three out of the potential Four Surfrider points (must include mandatory points) will result in an additional “Surfrider Approved Business” Certification