



THE VERY GOOD BUTCHERS
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
- All thermostats set lower when space is typically unoccupied (manual or automated)
- All hot water tanks and piping are insulated
- ≥ 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
- ≥ 75% of refrigeration and dishwashing appliances are ENERGY STAR® Certified
- Windows are double paned or draft-proofed and entrances and exits have been draft-sealed
- 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)
- Building generates solar, wind, geothermal, micro hydro power and/or solar hot water

WASTE

- Specials are listed on menu boards (chalk or white boards, screens, etc.) rather than printing daily specials
- 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 
- Low-flow spray nozzles (≤ 6.0 LpM) installed in dishwashing area
- All refrigeration units are air-cooled


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%

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



- Purchases \geq 20% of all beverages (alc. & non-alc.) produced in BC
- Business does not distribute single-use plastic bags to customers 

SOCIAL

- \geq 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 \geq \$50 per full-time employee
- Environmental sustainability is incorporated into the hiring process, employee orientations, and training programs

ADDITIONAL ACTIONS

- Additional action – produces and sells Vegan products, which have a lower CO2 footprint than meat