

Kendal Snowsports Club – Environmental Sustainability Policy

Aims

We will reduce and effectively manage our impact in a responsible manner, by ensuring that environmental considerations are integrated into decision making.

A Risk assessment will be used to identify potential environmental risks and where these are identified, strategies will be implemented to eliminate or minimise these risks.

Applicability

This policy applies to all trustees, committee, members, contractors, and third-party representatives of Kendal Snowsports Club (KSC). Its requirements should be reflected in other policies and procedures, agreements and contracts, as necessary.

KSC Potential Impacts on the Environment

1. **Land contamination** – oil, gas and chemical storage.
2. **Waste disposal** - waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE), hazardous materials.
3. **Water discharges** – kitchen, overflow from slope.
4. **Resource use** – energy, water and office supplies.

Managing this Impact

KSC will endeavour to manage the environmental impact through the Waste Hierarchy below:

Eliminate	Reduce	Re-Use	Recycle	Dispose
Avoid producing waste in the first place	Minimise the amount of waste you do produce	Use items as many times, as possible	Recycle what you can only after you have re-used it	Dispose of what's left in a responsible way
Best ----->Worst				

How KSC will treat materials and resources

1. Will use recycling bins in the lodge and/or at events where possible.
2. Shall when ordering stationery, fundraising resources etc, do so in bulk where possible. But accurately estimate requirements and avoid wastage.
3. Where practicable buy products manufactured from recycled waste.
4. Where possible rather than printing leaflets, posters, fundraiser packs, etc create digital versions.
5. Source eco-friendly suppliers.
6. Unused or single copied paper will be recycled as scrap paper.
7. Use double sided printing and back to back photocopying where practicable.
8. Will not automatically print e-mails and documents.
9. Make use of e-mail in preference to hard copy mail.
10. Where possible encourage the use of fair-trade tea and coffee, and other products.
11. Where practicable rechargeable batteries should be used if required, this is both economical and is far better for the environment.
12. Where possible buy UK, ideally local for materials.
13. Use cardboard disposable plates/cutlery at events.

How KSC will manage waste

1. Where cost effective, every effort will be made to recycle waste, such as cardboard, glass, paper and plastics.
2. Recycle toner cartridges.
3. Purchase energy efficiency electronic equipment.
4. Hazardous items, such as oils, chemicals, fluorescent tubes, batteries etc, and electrical items will be disposed of properly.
5. Use effective environmentally friendly cleaning products and other products such as e-cloths where possible.

How KSC will manage energy use

1. Will consider purchasing renewable energy where possible.
2. Ensure helpers are aware of the benefits of energy efficient systems.
3. Energy efficient lighting shall be used to replace any tungsten bulbs.
4. Helpers / Slope Supervisors / Instructors will be encouraged to turn off lights, television monitors, TVs and other equipment when not in use.
5. Where practicable heating shall be turned down or off in unoccupied rooms or areas, with heating reduced to 'frost protection' levels when unoccupied, e.g., Christmas.

6. Ensure that doors and windows are not left open when lodge is not in use to save on heating costs and improve security.

How KSC will manage water use

1. Turn off or repair dripping taps.
2. Turn off sprinkler system when not required.
3. Sprinkler system water is recycled to tank for re-use whenever possible.

How KSC will manage emissions

1. Source goods and services locally, where this is cost effective.
2. Coordinate meeting timings and locations to minimise travel.
3. Review the work of meetings to reduce committee sizes and frequency of meetings and use online where possible.

Suppliers

Whilst not an over-riding factor in decision making, we will seek to work with suppliers who share our aims and who seek to minimise their environmental impact. Equally, in deciding which types of supplies/products we purchase, we will be mindful that some are less damaging than others and will take this into account.

Management

Consideration could be given to nominating someone to lead and coordinate on environmental and waste management issues.

Objectives could be included and monitored through the annual Business Plan.

Communication

Environmental awareness and action will be cascaded down through the committee, For example, by:

1. Training and awareness courses.
2. Electronic communications.
3. Social media advertising.

Version Control - Approval and Review

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V001	Trustees	Apr 24	Initial draft approved	Annually

Regulatory Guidance:

[Charity Commission: Going Green: Charities and Environmental Responsibility](#)

[Charity Commission: Environmental responsibility for charities](#)

[Environment Agency: Waste Management](#)

Useful Links:

[ES: Energy saving opportunity scheme \(ESOS\)](#)

[CT: Guidance on complying with ESOS](#)

[CT: Employee awareness and office energy efficiency](#)

[CT: Building energy efficiency](#)

[CT: Energy efficient lighting](#)

[WRAP \(Waste & Resources Action Programme\)](#)

[Recycle Now](#)

[Centre for Alternative Technology \(CAT\)](#)

[Charity Retail Association: Waste Law & Regulation Guidance Note.](#)