# HILTON ORLANDO THINKING GREEN

### **Environmentally Conscientious**

Hilton Orlando is proud to be a member of a community as vibrant, conscientious, and healthy as Orlando. We support our customers, our neighbors, and our partners in their efforts to improve our community, the region, and the planet. Each hotel department is trained and informed on the hotel's green initiatives and encouraged to communicate with the operation's team to find new ways to conserve energy throughout the hotel.





**Destination Green Orlando** 

#### Hilton Orlando is Green by Design:

- Primary irrigation for landscaping: Surrounding the hotel from reclaimed water, offering benefits like: increased water quantity, decreased diversion of freshwater from many ecosystems, and contributes to improved water quality by reducing the amount of runoff entering rivers, lakes, and other water bodies.
- Structural Systems: The construction of the hotel contains 20% fly ash in the structural foundation providing benefits like: conserving enough energy to provide electricity to an average home for 24 days, landfill space conserved equaling 455 days of solid waste produced by the average American, and reduction in CO2 emissions equal to 2 months of emissions from an automobile.
- Mechanical and Electrical Systems: The most current and energy efficient designs and products used in the development of the hotel including: efficient chillers, CO2 sensors in return air systems, independent switches, occupancy sensors, site lighting controlled by photo cell and time clock; all saving energy.
- Landscape Design: Designers incorporated cedar, water and limestone; all key elements of Central Florida's natural environment











## REDUCE

- Public Transportation: We have Hertz Rental Car on-site that offers hybrid and electric rental vehicles. In addition, the I-Ride Trolley stops a short walk from the hotel, offering energy saving public transportation to all of the attractions, shopping, and restaurants along International Drive.
- Electric Car Charging Stations: We welcome electric vehicle owners to plug into our on-site chargers located in our parking garage (fees apply).
- Engineering and Energy Efficiency: Lights and air conditioning are turned off when meeting rooms and guest rooms are not in use and escalators are also shutdown of non usage times. Our energy efficiency program also includes some energy efficient light bulbs throughout the building.
- Meetings and Banquets: Water pitchers and glasses are used from a beverage cart, reducing the amount of water
- Electronic Communication: Hilton Orlando has a commitment to using electronic communication when possible to conserve paper. Downloadable Green Sales tools are also used including: e-proposals, GroupMax and e-events booking systems. Guests also have the option to participate in our paperless check-in & check-out program by utilizing online tools for check-in and check-out by TV in the guest room.

- Housekeeping Linen Water Conservation Option: Allows guests to participate in our green initiatives by opting into our Recycling program and choosing to have linens cleaned every 3 days and at checkout, helping conserve water and
- Food Service Areas: In each of our dining outlets and back of house kitchens, instead of paper products, we reuse linen napkins, silverware, bulk dispensers, and tablecloths are used.

# RECYCLE

- Single Stream Recycling Program: Allows participants to put all of the recyclable materials (paper, cardboard, glass, plastic and metal) into one container without separating it.
- Organics Collection: Our kitchens participate in organics collection, in which all food and food prep waste can get recycled instead of thrown away. The kitchen places it into a designated bin, which is then picked up by Waste Management and processed with yard waste to become soil amendment used as fertilizer.
- Recyclable Products: Eco-smart coffee cups, recycled to-go boxes and we are proud to have Starbucks on-site as they won a National Recycling Coalition Recycling Works Award because of their major contributions to the environment. Pads of paper are used by our in-house groups are also used from recycled paper.
- Second Harvest Food Bank: Hilton Orlando proudly donates food to Second Harvest Food Bank, a non-profit organization that delivers over 22 million pounds of food and groceries a year to a variety of people in need.
- For Meetings: With 50 people or less, guests are provided with recycling bins for their meeting.
- Clean The World: Housekeeping donates soap, shampoo conditioner and lotion products to domestic homeless shelters and developing countries.

