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1.0 SCOPE

DGS Purchasing Standards provide the minimum criteria purchases must meet to be considered Environmentally Preferable (EPP), aka “green”, by the state of California. They establish a mechanism for incorporating performance and environmental requirements that meet the state’s environmentally preferable goals, into procurements and policy.

Per Public Contract Code (PCC) §12400 through 12404, Environmentally Preferable Purchasing, the purchasing standard herein establishes minimum EPP requirements for landscaping services, such as routine maintenance, rehabilitation of existing spaces, or development of new sites.

2.0 APPLICABLE LAWS and INDUSTRY STANDARDS

Departments must adhere to all applicable laws, regulations, policies, best practices, and purchasing authority requirements such as, California Code of Regulations, State Administrative Manual, Management Memos, and State Contracting Manual as applicable.

This list is for informational purposes only and is not all-inclusive. It is the state department’s responsibility to ensure the purchase adheres to all applicable laws, regulations, policies, best practices, and purchasing authority requirements.

2.1 LAWS and REGULATIONS

[EO N-19-19](#), Governor's Climate Change Agenda
[PCC §12400](#), Environmentally Preferable Purchasing
[PCC §12200](#), State Agency Buy Recycled Campaign (SABRC)

2.2 POLICY

None listed

3.0 ENVIRONMENTALLY PREFERABLE PURCHASING REQUIREMENTS

The U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) [Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design](#) (LEED) green building rating system awards points for landscape design that avoids invasive species and minimize demand for water and synthetic chemicals.

For the Service to be considered EPP, select Services that meet at least one of the requirements below.

- Least-toxic pesticide, insecticides, and herbicide products rated at Tier III or Tier II based on [San Francisco’s Pesticide Hazard Review Process](#)
- WaterSense certified irrigation professionals
- WaterSense certified irrigation controllers and spray sprinkler bodies
- SABRC compliant metal or plastic products that contain a minimum of 10% post-consuming recycled content (PCRC)
- SABRC compliant mulch, compost and co-compost made with a minimum of 80 percent recovered material that would otherwise be normally disposed of in a landfill
- SABRC compliant tire-derived products, such as flooring, mats, wheelchair ramps, playground covers, parking bumpers, hoses, walkways, tree ties, road surfacing, and posts

4.0 RESOURCES

- Find [WaterSense](#) certified products and professionals.
- Find least-toxic pesticide, insecticides, and herbicide products rated at Tier III or Tier II based on [San Francisco's Pesticide Hazard Review Process](#).
- Visit the [Buying Green](#) website for additional information about EPP.
- Learn about UNSPSCs by visiting the [United Nations Standard Products and Services Code®](#).