

State of California Purchasing Standard Cafeteria & Food Services

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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 the following EPP requirements for cafeteria & food services, henceforth, the Service.

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 §12200-17, State Agency Buy Recycled Campaign (SABRC)

PRC § 42370, Sustainable Packaging for the State of California Act of 2018

2.2 POLICY None

3.0 ENVIRONMENTALLY PREFERABLE PURCHASING REQUIREMENTS

- Choose USDA (U.S Department of Agriculture) Organic or CCOF (California Certified Organic Farmers) food and beverages
- Choose Food Service Ware that meets the requirements the <u>Sustainable Packaging</u> for the <u>State of California Act of 2018</u> that is administered by CalRecycle and includes food service packaging that are reusable, recyclable, or compostable
- Choose green Seal certified food service paper products
- Choose paper products that contain a minimum of 30% post-consuming recycled content (PCRC)
- Use only SABRC-compliant plastic trash bags that contain at least 10% postconsumer recycled content and/or BPI-certified compostable bags
- Chose cleaning chemicals that are certified by one of the following third-party programs:
 - o Green Seal
 - o UL EcoLogo
 - o US EPA's Safer Choice Program, or
 - Cradle to Cradle (at the Gold level or higher)
- Ensure that the contractor is using kitchen equipment that is certified by Energy Star



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4.0 RESOURCES

Visit the <u>Buying Green</u> website for additional information about EPP. Learn about UNSPSCs by visiting the <u>United Nations Standard Products and Services Code®</u>.

Visit CalRecycle's SABRC compliant trash bags