**Bucknell University’s Green Purchasing Policy**

In a conscious effort to recognize its role, responsibility and commitment to the community regarding environmental stewardship, Bucknell University will give preference to purchasing goods that are:

* Durable, as opposed to single use or disposable
* Non-toxic, minimally toxic or biodegradable
* Recyclable
* Manufactured locally
* Manufactured with minimal waste
* Free of heavy metals
* Eligible to earn LEED credits
* FSC certified
* Chlorine free
* Energy Star, Green Guard, Green Seal, or Green-e certified
* Low VOC content
* Made from rapidly renewable materials
* Delivered with reduced packaging

These goods shall be selected whenever reasonably practical: the preferable goods are readily available; the preferable goods can perform their intended function generally as well as a non-preferable one; and the cost of the preferable goods are either approximately similar to that of non-preferable goods or their higher initial cost can be justified on the basis of long-term benefits.

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