



## **UK Gasket & Sealing Association Environmental Policy Statement**

The UK Gasket & Sealing Association endeavours to minimise negative environmental impacts in undertaking our business activities. We aim to be environmentally aware and responsible and meet (or exceed) all relevant UK laws and regulations. Where existing laws and regulations are not adequate, the association will aim to adopt its own environmental standards.

### **Our Environmental Plan:**

We will aim to:

- Use Information and Communication Technology (ICT) to carry out our work and communicate with Members and suppliers thus avoiding the generation of excessive volumes of paper waste.
- Recycle as much waste material as possible and to minimise consumption of resources such as raw materials, fuel and energy.
- Use energy saving light bulbs within our offices, rechargeable batteries in our equipment and recyclable toner cartridges in our printers.
- Turn off monitors and PCs when not in use to minimise computer energy consumption.
- Turn off heating and cooling when the office space is unoccupied.
- Encourage the use of environmentally friendly materials and use of environmentally friendly ink when designing and printing materials.
- Encourage the use of event venues that are close to public transport in order to encourage participants to use public transport.
- Identify local suppliers to produce catering for events and encourage them to source produce locally and reduce the amount of packaging they use for the final food displays.

Our environmental policy applies to the UK Gasket & Sealing Association. We encourage all our suppliers and service providers to have or be developing an environmental policy statement.

We will continue to review our environmental performance, and strive to respond to issues as they arise. The UK Gasket & Sealing Association recognises the need to



conduct internal environmental reviews on a periodic basis and to measure our operational activities against our environmental standards.

### **UK Gasket & Sealing Association Ethical Trading Policy Statement**

The UK Gasket & Sealing Association will also endeavour to trade ethically. We will adhere to any Government recognised trading sanctions and will not trade with those countries that the UK Gasket & Sealing Association Executive Committee believe are violators of human rights.

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