

ROCK WALL WINE COMPANY, September 10, 2015
ENVIRONMENTALLY PREFERABLE PURCHASING POLICY - Winery

We are committed to environmental excellence and pollution prevention through continual improvement and meeting or exceeding all environmental regulatory requirements.

This Policy is adopted as a requirement for Bay Area Green Business Certification and to conserve natural resources, minimize environmental impacts, reduce hazards to workers and our community and reduce materials to the landfill.

The goal of this policy is to ensure that the **winemaking supplies that are provided, purchased or contracted** for adhere to our commitment to lessen the environmental impact of our winery operations. Employees shall be informed of the company's environmental policy and will be provided with resources and support that reduce waste and pollution and conserve water and energy.

We will strive, where feasible, to purchase environmentally preferable products and services to meet our office and operational needs. We will also favor suppliers who provide environmentally preferable products, and who can document their supply chains. By sending a clear signal to producers and suppliers about this commitment, we hope to support wider adoption of environmentally preferable products and practices.

This policy is designed to address the major areas in which we have an environmental impact, specifically:

1. Winery operations (crush pad, barrel room, laboratory, and bottling line)
2. Tasting room
3. Management offices

1. Winery Operations

- Source locally grown grapes.
- Source barrels from a third-party certified sustainability harvested source.
- Purchase tank equipment coated with inert material or made of stainless steel.
- Eliminate mercury in tank thermometers.
- Eliminate GMO yeasts.
- Purchase packing that is reusable, recyclable or compostable.
- If contracting with a pest control service, specify Integrated Pest Management or choose a contractor that is certified in IPM, such as those listed at www.EcoWiseCertified.com.

2. Tasting Room

- Purchase durable, reusable or refillable products whenever feasible.
- Avoid polystyrene (Styrofoam) products.
- Avoid purchase of single-serving plastic water bottles.
- Request that printing vendors use recycled content paper.
- Purchase safer cleaning products including those that bear logos such as Green Seal, EcoLogo or Safer Choice or receive a rating of 8.1 or above on www.goodguide.com.
- Use only non-aerosol containers.
- Avoid added antibacterial agents such as triclosan in hand, dish and general cleaners.

3. Management Offices

- Office paper shall contain at least 30% post-consumer content.
- Janitorial paper towels shall contain at least 35% recycled content.
- Purchase remanufactured or used products when feasible.
- Purchase electronics with U. S. EPA Energy Star certification when available.

Contracting for Services

Use businesses certified or accredited by a 3rd party environmental certification program such as the Bay Area Green Business Program, Bay Friendly Landscaping, EcoWise and Build It Green.

Green Building

Building and renovations shall follow Green Building Practices for design, construction, and operation, where appropriate, as described in the LEED™ Rating System.