

# GREEN BUSINESS RECOGNITION CERTIFICATION APPLICATION

RIDGEWOOD, NJ  
2019 - 2020 Application Cycle - R

## BASIC INFORMATION

### Business Name

<b>Business Address Physical Location</b>
<b>Type of Business: (Fast food, Diner, Ethnic cuisine, Fine dining etc.)</b>
<b>Primary Contact Name</b>
<b>Primary Contact Email Address</b>
<b>Has the Green Team recognized you as a Green Business previously?</b>

RESTAURANT SUSTAINABILITY

ACTION

YES NO COMMENT

1. Do you donate food waste to a food bank, shelter, or animal feed program? Details.
2. Would you be interested in participating in a food waste composting program?
3. Have you eliminated paper towel dispensers in restrooms?
4. Do you provide straws only upon customer's request?
5. Do you use a Green certified linen service?
- 6 Do you recycle? If so, what items?
- 7 Do you serve appropriately sized portions? Would you consider offering a discount for smaller sized portions?
- 8 Do you use packaging and kitchen supplies that contain recycled material?
- 9 Does your menu offer some organically grown food?
- 10 Does your menu contain humanely raised and handled animal products?
- 11 Where possible, is the food sourced within a 400-mile radius of your facility?
- 12 Does the menu offer at least one vegetarian entrée?
- 13 Do you filter or reuse vegetable oil on-site? Alternatively, do you participate in a cooking oil recycling program?
- 14 In an effort to reduce packaging, do you purchase coffee, condiments, solid detergent, *etc* in bulk?
- 15 Do you purchase products from vendors who offer returnable packaging?
- 16 Do you have hood canopy heat recovery filters?

## RESTAURANT PLASTIC REDUCTION

### ACTION

Y N COMMENT

17. Have you eliminated polystyrene (Styrofoam) containers and cups?

18. Do you offer an incentive to customers who bring their own coffee mugs, reusable bags, containers?

19. Are beverages served in non-plastic containers?

20. Are there actions you have taken to replace/reduce plastic items such as cutlery, containers, straws, plates, or cups with sustainable materials? (e.g., paper, wood, metal, ceramic, plant-based materials).

21. Do you inform your providers/suppliers that you prefer and are looking for eco-friendly packaging alternatives?

## WASTE MANAGEMENT

### ACTION

Y N COMMENT

22. Have you developed a plan to reduce waste?

23. In the last year, have you increased recycling or landfill diversion?

## ENERGY USE

### ACTION

Y N COMMENT

24. Have you conducted an energy audit?

25. Do you purchase electricity generated from renewable sources or receive energy credits?

26. Have you installed high efficiency light bulbs?

27. Have you installed occupancy sensor light switches?

28. Do you use a high efficiency hot water tank or a tankless system?

29. Have you installed efficient climate controls?

30. Are your kitchen appliances or site utilities Energy Star or CEE qualified?

31. Is there a barrier between outside air and the patrons' entrance?

WATER CONSERVATION

ACTION Y N COMMENT

32. Have you installed low-flow toilets or urinals?

33. Do you serve drinking water only upon patron's request, with signage explaining why?

34. Do you have touchless or automatic faucets?

35. Does your pre-rinse dishwasher sprayer limit water to less than 1.28 gpm?

TRANSPORTATION

ACTIONS Y N COMMENT

36. Do you facilitate employee carpools or vanpools?

37. Is your establishment located within 1/2 mile from a rail station or within 1/4 mile from a bus line?

POLLUTION REDUCTION

ACTIONS Y N COMMENT

38. Do you use certified EPA "Safer Choice" or "Ecologo" green cleaning supplies?

39. Do you distribute "No Idle" information to delivery trucks?

40. Do you use "Green Shield," "GreenPro," or a comparably certified pest control company?

Please describe up to three innovative sustainability actions that your business has implemented within the past years. Those actions should be distinct from any listed in the checklist.

(BONUS) INNOVATION

INNOVATION #1

INNOVATION #2

INNOVATION #3

If your business has completed one achievement in each category, or 12 of the total business actions, you will be designated a Green Restaurant by the Green Ridgewood advisory team.

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RESULTS FOR: (NAME)



At least one action in each category \_\_\_\_\_

Total actions possible \_\_\_\_\_

Total actions achieved \_\_\_\_\_

Innovative actions achieved \_\_\_\_\_

Combined total \_\_\_\_\_