



# Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection



# “I didn’t know it was a Law”-- What You Must Buy **Green**

A Better Way to Buy: Choosing “Green” Products in State Contracts

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## State Procurement Marketplace

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## *DAS Procurement - Environmentally Preferred Purchasing*

Welcome to Connecticut's Environmentally Preferable Purchasing (EPP) Program home page.

This page provides access to state contracts that feature environmentally preferable products and services. The site also includes a list of state statutes and policies that support and guide environmentally preferable purchasing efforts in Connecticut. The general information section provides background information, including a description of the EPP Program and an explanation of state contracts.



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## What are Environmentally Preferable Products?

Environmentally Preferable Products are products or services that have a lesser or reduced effect on human health and the environment when compared with competing products or services that serve the same purpose. Such products or services may include, but are not limited to, those which contain recycled content, minimize waste, conserve energy or water, and reduce the amount of toxins disposed of or consumed.

## General Information

[Why Use EPP Products and Services?](#)

[EPP On-Demand Training Video](#)

## Statutes and Policies

These CT Statutes promote Environmentally Preferable Purchasing in Connecticut State Agencies.

Other important information:

- [Green Cleaning Products Policy](#)
- [Bottled Water Policy](#)
- [Connecticut EnergyStar Requirement](#)
- [DEP Recycling Unit](#)
- [CT Climate Change](#)

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# *From this presentation you will learn:*

- What's required by state statute?
  - Recycled Paper
  - Energy Star Appliances and Lighting
  - Energy Efficient Cars and Light Trucks
  - Green Cleaners
  - Bulk Drinking Water Purchases (ban on single-use)

Statutes & Policies ( DAS Website link)

<http://www.cga.ct.gov/2011/pub/Chap058.htm#Sec4a-67a.htm>



# *Paper Purchasing Standard*

- Mandated that all copy paper for state agencies must contain at least 30% post-consumer recycled content per federal recycled-content guidelines.
- Applies to state lottery tickets and tax return forms



# 30% Recycled Content Paper



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# Equipment & Appliances

- Equipment purchases must meet ENERGY STAR or other federal or state energy conservation standards



- Lighting standard requires replacing light bulbs with LED or next highest energy efficient rated CFL lighting





# *Buy Energy STAR equipment*

- Copiers, printers, fax machines, refrigerators, microwaves & EPEAT rated computers











# *Cars and Light Duty Trucks*

- State fleet average fuel efficiency rating - 40 mpg, and
- “obtain the best achievable mileage per pound of CO2 emissions in its class.”
- By January 2012, 100% of the fleet must be comprised of alternative-fuel, hybrid and plug-in electric vehicles, unless an exception is approved.




You are here: [Find a Car Home](#) > Compare Side-by-Side

## Compare Side-by-Side

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Select Year <input type="text"/> Select Make <input type="text"/> Select Model <input type="text"/> Select Options <input type="text"/>	<input type="button" value="Compare"/>		

## Top Picks on fueleconomy.gov

Click on a link below to view the most popular or most efficient models. You can then select additional models to compare or change your selections.

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# *EV Cars and Trucks*



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# *Cleaning Products*

- Green Cleaning Law for state owned buildings.
  - Program approved by DAS, which currently includes Green Seal and EcoLogo.



- Excludes disinfectants and cleaning products for which there are no “green” certifications.



# Cleaning Products



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# *Schools & State Agencies Use Green Cleaning Products*

Third Party Certification Required:

- GreenSeal & Ecologo certified products



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# *Disposable & Single Use Products*

- DAS to develop and implement a plan to eliminate disposable and single-use products.
  - Bottled water banned (single use)





# *Disposible & Single Use Products*

DAS “shall not procure any product for state use if the original manufacturer of the product prohibits the remanufacture or recycling of such product...” with an exception for products that have contracted take-back arrangements.



# *Schools & CT Grown, Local Food*

- CT contract for food distribution to public schools requires contractor to demonstrate that they have tried to access CT grown products and enhance purchases from CT farmers



# *Buy Locally Grown Food*



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# Buy Recycled Content, Less Toxic



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## How Do you Find Green Goods?

- How I've Gotten my Bureau to Buy Green – [Pauline.Blackstock@ct.gov](mailto:Pauline.Blackstock@ct.gov) , DEEP
- Take a Quick Trip Through the DAS EPP Webpage – [Raul.Granillo@ct.gov](mailto:Raul.Granillo@ct.gov) , DEEP

