

 <b>BOND UNIVERSITY</b>	<b>ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY PROCEDURE</b>
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## 1. PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES

As Australia's first private non-profit university, Bond University seeks to be recognised internationally as a leading independent university, imbued with a spirit to innovate, a commitment to influence and a dedication to inspire tomorrow's professionals who share a personalised and transformational student experience.

Bond University values:

- Respect and concern for our students and colleagues
- Truth, inquiry and the pursuit of advanced knowledge
- Excellence in everything we do and pride in achievements
- Effective collaboration and teamwork
- Accountability for performance, actions and learning
- Productive engagement between students and staff

In line with its mission and values, Bond University acknowledges that it is accountable for its environmental actions, performance and learning and supports the concept and practice of [sustainability](#).

Bond University aims to achieve this outcome by establishing policies and practices of natural resource conservation, [waste](#) mitigation (see Waste Management Procedures) and pollution reduction throughout its operations.

This Procedure details Bond University's commitment to sustainability and establishes a framework of procedures that will allow the University to fulfil its commitments.

## 2. AUDIENCE AND APPLICATION

Bond University Staff, Volunteers and Students

## 3. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Role	Responsibility
Director of Facilities Management	Compliance with the processes within this Procedure

## 4. THE PROCEDURE

This Procedure applies to all Bond University practices including:

- Teaching
- Research
- Development and maintenance of the Bond University infrastructure and services
- Associated administrative and operational support functions
- Engagement and participation of the Bond University community
- Engagement with the broader community.

### 4.1. Commitments

To fulfil its commitment to sustainability, Bond University will:

- 4.1.1. Introduce practices aimed at developing and promoting an institutional culture of environmental awareness and responsibility across the Bond University community.
- 4.1.2. Identify and comply with applicable environmental legislation, regulations, obligations as well as any other environmental commitments to which Bond University subscribes.
- 4.1.3. Establish practices for reducing or preventing waste and emissions wherever possible.

4.1.4. Consider, where relevant, sustainability in the decision-making process when purchasing goods and designing and maintaining facilities.

4.1.5. Where required, provide the necessary resources to fulfil these commitments.

## 5. DEFINITIONS, TERMS, ACRONYMS

**Sustainability** Sustainability (also known as sustainable development) was defined by the World Commission on Environment and Development (1987) as:

*“Sustainable development is development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.”*

**Waste** Waste includes anything that is (a) left over, or an unwanted by-product, from an industrial, commercial, domestic or other activity; or (b) surplus to the industrial, commercial, domestic or other activity generating the waste. A thing can be waste whether or not it is of value.

## 6. RELATED DOCUMENTS

[Campus Management Policy \(FAC 8.3.4\)](#)

[Waste Management Procedures](#)

## 7. MODIFICATION HISTORY

Date	Sections	Source	Details
5 April 2024			3-year cyclical review
10 May 2022			Converted Policy (COR 5.19) into this Procedure
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