

Sustainable Procurement Policy

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Policy Statement

ADR Carriers Limited is committed to integrating sustainability principles into our procurement processes. We recognize the environmental, social, and economic impacts of our purchasing decisions and strive to promote practices that contribute to a sustainable future.

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to:

1. Ensure that goods, services, and works procured by ADR Carriers Limited are sourced sustainably and responsibly.
 2. Minimize the environmental impact of procurement activities.
 3. Support ethical practices and social responsibility within our supply chain.
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Scope

This policy applies to all procurement activities undertaken by ADR Carriers Limited, including those carried out by employees, contractors, and third-party agents.

Key Principles

1. **Environmental Responsibility**
 - Prioritize products and services that minimize environmental impact, including those that:
 - Are energy-efficient.
 - Have reduced packaging or are made from recycled materials.
 - Are sourced from suppliers with recognized environmental certifications.
2. **Social Responsibility**
 - Work with suppliers who adhere to fair labor practices and human rights standards, ensuring no association with child labor, forced labor, or unsafe working conditions.
 - Promote diversity and inclusion by supporting small, local, and minority-owned businesses.

3. Economic Sustainability

- Deliver value for money while balancing environmental and social considerations.
- Consider the total cost of ownership, including maintenance, operation, and disposal costs.

4. Ethical Procurement

- Source products and services ethically, ensuring compliance with laws on anti-bribery, corruption, modern slavery, and tax evasion.
- Engage suppliers who align with ADR Carriers Limited's ethical standards.

5. Supplier Engagement

- Encourage suppliers to adopt sustainable practices and share our commitment to sustainability.
 - Assess suppliers based on their environmental and social performance as part of the selection process.
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Responsibilities

Management

- Ensure sustainability considerations are embedded in procurement strategies and decisions.
- Allocate resources to implement and monitor this policy.

Procurement Staff and Employees

- Apply the principles of this policy in all purchasing decisions.
- Conduct due diligence to identify and mitigate risks within the supply chain.

Suppliers and Contractors

- Comply with ADR Carriers Limited's sustainability requirements.
 - Demonstrate a commitment to improving environmental and social practices.
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Implementation

1. Supplier Evaluation

- Use a sustainability checklist or criteria to assess supplier practices and products.

2. Training and Awareness

- Provide employees with training to understand sustainable procurement principles and practices.

3. Monitoring and Reporting

- Monitor procurement activities to measure compliance with this policy.
- Report on key sustainability metrics, such as the percentage of eco-friendly products purchased or the number of suppliers audited.

Continuous Improvement

ADR Carriers Limited is committed to reviewing and enhancing this policy to reflect advances in sustainability practices and to ensure ongoing alignment with business goals and regulatory requirements.

Approved by:

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This policy demonstrates ADR Carriers Limited's dedication to sustainable procurement, ensuring that our purchasing decisions contribute positively to the environment, society, and economy.