



Maryland Green Registry MEMBER

The Maryland Green Registry promotes and recognizes sustainable practices at organizations of all types and sizes. Members agree to share at least five environmental practices and one measurable result while striving to continually improve their environmental performance.

National Fenestration Rating Council (NFRC)



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Management and Leadership

Environmental Policy Statement

The National Fenestration Rating Council (NFRC) is committed to reducing its impact on the environment. NFRC strives to improve our environmental performance over time and to initiate additional projects and activities that will further reduce our impacts on the environment.

Our commitment to the environment extends to our staff, members, stakeholders, and the public. We are committed to:

- ✓ *Embrace and implement environmental best practices;*
- ✓ *Reduce our carbon emissions and prevent pollution whenever possible;*
- ✓ *Educate staff on our environmental program and empower them to contribute and participate;*
- ✓ *Communicate our environmental commitment and efforts to our staff, members, stakeholders, and the public; and*
- ✓ *Continually improve over time by striving to measure our environmental impacts and by setting goals to reduce these impacts each year.*

Environmental Team

Membership is open to all staff. The mission is to reduce NFRC's environmental impact. The team meets quarterly and as needed in between regular meetings to accomplish goals. NFRC is committed to reducing carbon emissions and is developing a plan to reach net-zero carbon emissions. Additionally, NFRC encourages our members, stakeholders and allied

organizations to take actions to make their businesses more environmentally friendly and sustainable.

Environmentally Preferable Products and Services

The National Fenestration Rating Council (NFRC) is committed to reducing its impact on the environment in the products and services we provide. Whenever possible, NFRC will:

- ✓ Avoid printing and shipping materials*
- ✓ Conduct trainings and inspections virtually to reduce associated travel*

Environmentally Preferable Purchasing

The National Fenestration Rating Council (NFRC) is committed to reducing its impact on the environment in product purchasing. Whenever possible, NFRC will purchase:

- ✓ 100% recycled paper*
- ✓ Used or refurbished products*
- ✓ Recyclable electronics and products*
- ✓ Compostable flatware*

Environmental Restoration and Community Environmental Projects

NFRC hosts two member meetings a year in different locations and supports a local environmental restoration charity in each meeting location. Our Spring 2020 meeting was scheduled to be held in College Park, MD, where NFRC donated to support the [Chesapeake Bay Foundation](#). Our 2019 Fall Meeting was held in Charlotte, NC, where NFRC sponsored a tree planting through [Trees Charlotte](#).

Waste

Solid Waste Reduction and Reuse

NFRC uses an online mobile app for attendees at meetings and workshops, eliminating the need for printed programs and other meeting materials.

Recycling

NFRC recycles all paper, cardboard, glass, and plastic.

Energy

Energy Efficiency

Office renovation added windows in interior walls to reduce the need for artificial light in the office. Blinds are shut in all offices when unoccupied to reduce solar heat gain.

Transportation

Employee Commute/Customer Travel

Office was relocated to minimize commuting distance for staff, reducing an estimated 10,000+ miles driven per year. Additionally, our offices are within walking distance to a Metro and other public transportation.

Efficient Business Travel

Teleconferencing is used whenever possible. When business travel is required, ridesharing and carpooling is used whenever possible.

Environmental Certification Programs, Awards, and Other Activities

- DMW 2019 [Green Awards recipient](#): NFRC received the honor for making its mark on the green market for empowering people to compare windows, doors, and skylights that can help make homes and buildings more comfortable and energy efficient.

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Help build a greener, more sustainable Maryland through voluntary practices that reduce environmental impacts and save money.

Learn more at green.maryland.gov

