



Environmental Policy and Management

The managers and owners of St. George Hotels share the commitment to ensure optimal environmental management in its daily operations. Recognizing the impacts that tourism places on natural resource availability and climate change, we will work to ensure that St. George Hotels will apply responsible waste management, reduce pollution, incorporate energy saving devices where possible, and encourage customers to respect and participate in our efforts to minimize the environmental impacts of the hotel.

The primary goals related to environmental management are as follows:

- **Certification**

The hotel is currently certified with Travelife Gold Award for the period 2015 – 2017. Our goal is to achieve the gold award for the following two years by enhancing our environmental policies and practices as well as optimizing our positive socio-economic impact to the local community.

- **Sustainability Report**

In December 2017 the annual Sustainability report will be published, and can be found on our website (www.stgeorge-hotel.com). The aim of the Sustainability report is to describe in depth all the actions as well as present key statistics in regards with the hotel's impact on the environment, society and local economy.

- **Energy Management**

The current energy consumption per guest per night is 14.10 kWh

Our goal is to reduce the above figure by 2 % in 2016 and 2017 or remain at the same levels of 2015

- Throughout the operations, St. George Hotels will ensure optimal energy efficiencies, by undertaking the following.
 1. All the heavy and light equipment that will be purchased in the future will be energy efficient (Grade A – the least)
 2. Ensure that all the staff will receive training in energy conservation
 3. Low energy light bulbs and LED lights will be lighted in all public areas, accommodations and back of the house areas
 4. All the lights in public areas, toilets and staff areas will be controlled by motion sensors or light timers,
 5. All the rooms are equipped with electronic key cards, motion sensors which contribute to energy conservation.

- **Water Management**

Our goal is to reduce water consumption by 2% in 2016 and 2017

To achieve this target, St. George Hotels without compromising guest comfort or health and safety, will further incorporate water saving devices and procedures to minimize overall water consumption.

Specifically, our aim is to reduce water consumption to 242 liters per guest per night.

The following actions will be taken in order to achieve the target above:

All the showers and bath taps are equipped with water flow restrictors as follows:

1. 4 liters per minute for taps
2. 9 liters per minute for showers
3. Public toilets are to be fitted with low flush and dual flush systems
4. Heated water supply for accommodations is produced, wherever possible from; solar panels, electrical heating (as a back-up solutions only)

Waste Management

Our aim is to reduce by 10% the production of solid waste as well as we will encourage our guests to join the recycling programme.

Throughout the hotel's operations; PMD, paper, glass, oils and food waste will be recycled. In addition, the usage of paper and PMD by our guests will be reduced.

Chemical Use

The hotel will avoid the use of chemicals banned by United Nations Food and Agricultural Organization's consent list. In addition it will be ensured safe disposal of all used chemicals. Biological products will replace chemicals where possible and 65% of packaged products will be bought in bulk in order to reduce the amount of solid waste.

All staff will continue to attend the environmental training course to further understand the positive impact of all the above can have on the daily operation of St. George Hotel.