

How eco-friendly is your service?

QUIZ

The *Early Years Learning Framework*, the *Framework for School Age Care* and the *National Quality Standard* promote embedding sustainability in all daily routines and practices. So how green is your service?

DO YOU:

Avoid disposable, single-use items?

YES NO

Dispose of all recyclable products correctly including paper, cartons, jars and soft plastics?

YES NO

Reuse and repurpose materials for play?

YES NO

Responsibly collect natural materials for play?

YES NO

Encourage children to use the half flush on the toilet, turn off the taps when not using them and tip their leftover drinking water on the garden?

YES NO

Support children to put their food scraps and rubbish in the correct bins?

YES NO

Source food locally OR have a 'nude food' policy for children bringing their lunch from home?

YES NO

Have intentional teaching activities where children learn to care for the garden and animals?

YES NO

Have a veggie patch and teach children about the garden-to-plate food cycle?

YES NO

Have chickens, a compost bin or a worm farm?

YES NO

Have a rainwater tank for use in water play or when watering the garden?

YES NO

Have bush kinder?

YES NO

Support children to participate in community events like Clean Up Australia Day?

YES NO

Have working bees to get the community involved in caring for the outdoor environment?

YES NO

Correspond with families electronically where possible?

YES NO

Use forest-friendly or recycled paper products?

YES NO

Use energy efficient globes and turn off lights when not needed?

YES NO

Close the doors when the air-conditioner or heater is on?

YES NO

Practise green cleaning? (using non-toxic and environmentally friendly cleaning products, using washable cloths instead of paper towels, etc.)

YES NO

Have a philosophy and policies that promote sustainability?

YES NO

Have sustainability practice as an agenda item at staff meetings?

YES NO

Practise sustainable purchasing by choosing local products, products with minimal packaging, and appliances that have 5-star energy or water ratings?

YES NO

Connect with the local Indigenous community to explore a deeper connection to the land?

YES NO

Answered **YES** to **0-10** questions

A good start, what will your next steps be?

Answered **YES** to **11-16** questions

You're on your way! What will you do to keep up the momentum?

Answered **YES** to **17-23** questions

Congratulations, you've embedded sustainable practices! How can you make your service even greener? And how can you lead others in promoting sustainable practices?

To calculate your service's ecological footprint, go to www.wwf.org.au