

## **Environmental Policy**

The Institute of Fisheries Management is an international organisation, dedicated to the advancement of sustainable fisheries management. Membership is open to anyone with an interest in fish and fisheries, their proper management and conservation.

The Institute of Fisheries Management is committed to providing a quality service in a manner that ensures a safe and healthy workplace for our members, employees and volunteers and minimises our potential impact on the environment. We will operate in compliance with all relevant environmental legislation, and we will strive to become carbon neutral and use environmental best practices in all we do.

## Our Policy, therefore, is to:

- Integrate the consideration of environmental concerns and impacts into our decision making and activities,
- Minimise our waste and then reuse or recycle as much of it as is possible.
- Aim to reduce our carbon and water footprints by reducing water and energy consumption as well as paper and plastic use, and promoting greener travel choices
- Commit to improve the health and wellbeing of our staff and members by sustainable event planning and offering opportunities for social interaction and physical activity
- Implement a sustainable event planning procedure and use an effective channel of communication to share good environmental practices across Institute members
- Favour local food suppliers and ethically sourced produce for our events, seek to minimise food waste, and aim to reduce water use.
- As far as is possible, purchase products and services that do the least damage to the environment.
- We will remove all avoidable single use plastic from our operations.
- Train, educate and inform our employees and volunteers about environmental issues that may affect their work.
- Promote environmental awareness among our employees and volunteers and encourage them to work in an environmentally responsible manner,
- Communicate our environmental commitment to members, customers and the public and encourage them to support it.

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