Sustainability Principles for Suppliers



The John Muir Trust strives to be an exemplary carbon credible organisation, this involves a commitment to collaboration with our supply chain on progressing the environmental sustainability of products and services.

Therefore, we recommend suppliers and contractors take into consideration the following principles and, where possible, demonstrate action:

Reduce the environmental impact of all products, processes and materials

- Reduce environmental impact over the full life cycle of all products, processes, and materials by measuring, setting reduction goals and monitoring progress.
- Develop products and processes that are less harmful to the environment.

Minimise adverse environmental impact on land, air, water and biodiversity

- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions in production, logistics and other processes by establishing a baseline, setting reduction goals and monitoring progress.
- Minimise impacts on biodiversity.
- Minimise and properly manage waste.
- Minimise water consumption and water-related risks.
- Use and promote local services and materials to minimise transport and product miles.

Minimise the consumption of natural resources, raw materials, and fossil fuel inputs

- Promote recycling and evaluate the potential to use recycled or used materials when they are available.
- Design and deliver minimal and sustainable packaging by assessing its quality and cost over the full life cycle.

Create mutual environmental improvements

 Make similar commitment to work with suppliers to create a process through which environmental improvements and achievements can be shared upstream and downstream.

Helpful Resources

We have compiled a list of resources to provide some guidance in these areas:

- Learn more about the John Muir Trust's commitment to carbon credibility.
- GHG protocol Corporate Accounting and Reporting Standard.
- GHG protocol Product Life Cycle Accounting and Reporting Standard.
- GHG protocol Scope 3 Accounting and Reporting Standard.