

# Our Mission



## Leaving equipment on:

- Costs money;
- Causes unnecessary greenhouse pollution;
- Can reduce equipment life and add to maintenance costs.

These initiatives will reduce our power usage during off peak times.

## Turning Lights Off

- All lights must be switched off when not in use or upon exiting the room, this includes bathroom and boardroom lights.
- Low energy globes will be implemented within the workplace as current globes expire
- There are 168 hours in a week yet most offices are only used for 50 to 60 of those hours. In the 118 hours that the office isn't occupied anything unnecessarily left on consumes more than twice the energy it does during occupied hours.

## Heating and Cooling

- MGA has a timer attached to its cooling and heating systems stopping the system from running on weekends and only turning on between 7 am and 6 pm during the working week.
- MGA will continue to alter the temperature based on the season and climate; and will avoid making it too cold in summer or too hot in winter.
- Cooling and heating systems produce large amounts of greenhouse gas emissions and use a lot of energy; the referred to actions will help reduce those emissions.

## Green Energy

- MGA is in discussions with its energy provider concerning purchasing green energy.

## Recycling Bins

- A new recycling bin will be located in the staff kitchen. Please ensure that all recyclables are placed in the new bin. Signage will be placed on the bin.

## Environmentally Friendly Detergents

- MGA promotes the use of environmentally friendly products by replacing our chemical detergents with environmentally friendly substitutes.

These are initial initiatives which have come into effect within the MGA workplace. Further ideas will be provided to employees once these practical steps have been fully implemented by employees.

MGA encourages all employees to report on any initiatives which they believe will reduce our impact on the environment.

## Master Grocers Australia Environmental Mission Statement

Master Grocers Australia (MGA) is committed to providing its staff and Members with inspirational goals and achievable environmental improvements in order to reduce the impact on the environment of unsustainable carbon emissions.

Our aim is to assist Members to develop innovative and environmentally friendly business initiatives which will place them at the forefront in the reduction of greenhouse gases.

MGA will work nationally with our Members to encourage compliance with environmental laws and regulations that will help to create a cleaner and safer place to live and work.

We will endeavor to promote and support strong partnerships with businesses and government entities to achieve our mission targets and objectives.

MGA will conscientiously work towards achieving a sustainable environmental future for our staff, our Members and the community.

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