



# EnviroCertified

## Carpet Cleaning

### Business Info

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Website: \_\_\_\_\_

### Contact Info

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

PPA Visit Date: \_\_\_\_\_ PPA Specialist's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Certification Date: \_\_\_\_\_

***Business has met all the requirements of the PPA visit.***

### General Cleaning

We ask our customers about the source of stains before cleaning to determine if dangerous substances are present and what the best cleaning method is.

Carpets are vacuumed prior to cleaning.

### Equipment

Our equipment minimizes water use.

Equipment (tanks, hoses, fittings) is serviced regularly to prevent wastewater leaks.

Filters are routinely checked to ensure proper operation and replaced when needed.

### Wastewater

Carpet cleaning wastewater is screened or filtered, and solids are disposed of properly.

Filtered carpet cleaning wastewater is discharged to a sanitary sewer system on the premises or is held in containment tanks and later discharged at an approved sanitary sewer location. Never to the street, gutters, parking lots, storm drain, lawn, ditches, ground water, or surface water.

### General Maintenance

Waste and recycling containers are properly labeled, easily accessible, closed when not in use, and inspected regularly.

Waste and recycling containers are placed together to reduce contamination.

Water leaks are repaired immediately.

Chemicals, grease, or dangerous waste are not dumped down the drain.

We conduct routine inspections on our property - such as outdoor storage, waste containers, dumpsters, and drains - to identify and prevent possible contamination sources.

Product container lids are kept closed when not in use.

We use environmentally friendly cleaning products such as Green Seal, ECOLOGO, EPA's Safer Choice, etc.

We have replaced disposable cleaning cloths such as shop cloths or paper towels with reusable cloths.

Waste receptacles are in the bathrooms so that only toilet paper and seat covers are flushed.

## Stormwater

There are no improper connections to storm drains and an “only rain down the drain” policy is followed.

Stormwater drains are clearly labeled as “no dumping”.

Wash water with soap, detergent, or cleaning product doesn’t go down the storm drains.

Company vehicles are washed off-site at a commercial facility.

Rakes and brooms are used instead of leaf blowers or hoses when removing dirt and debris.

## Inventory Management

Shipments are inspected for leaks or damage before they are accepted.

Vendors take back damaged or unused products.

We use an inventory system to streamline product purchasing and prevent overstock.

Stock is organized by the to be used by, purchase, or expiration date.

Shelf life is considered when purchasing products.

Office supplies are reused/recycled whenever possible.

Recycled products are purchased whenever possible.

When replacing electronics, computers or furniture, eco-friendly/sustainable products are purchased such as Energy Star, EPEAT, etc.

## Employee Training

All employees receive proper product storage, waste disposal, and spill cleanup training.

Employees are trained as to why wastewater is not put in the storm drain and their role in protecting the aquifer.

Manufacturer’s instructions for all products are followed.

Pollution prevention handouts provided during the PPA visit are made available to employees.

Employees have been made aware of the Waste Directory and know how to access it.

## Waste Reduction

Dangerous waste hauling service is scheduled to match volume and frequency needs.

Equipment is repaired, instead of replaced, when possible.

Reduction, reuse, recycling, or elimination of all wastes produced has been explored. Specific procedures have been added to improve our practices overall.

We review our disposal and recycling records monthly to monitor the amount of waste generated and evaluate progress in reducing waste, as well as to maintain SQG status.

Energy consumption is monitored to identify areas for improvement.

Motion sensors, LEDs, or natural lighting is used.

Electronic communication with employees and customers is used whenever possible. Printer settings default to double-sided printing.

A materials reuse/exchange location is available.

## Community

We participate in, and/or sponsor, neighborhood clean-ups or other projects in our community to encourage environmental stewardship. Provide specific examples.

We participate in educating the industry leaders of tomorrow via internships, vocational tech, or college programs.

We research, purchase and stay current on new technologies, products, or service innovations that reduce waste or prevent pollution.

We encourage other businesses to become EnviroCertified.

We encourage our customers to support other EnviroCertified businesses.

We support other certified businesses in our community whenever possible.

We advertise our EnviroCertified status in our customer outreach materials (website, social media, ads, newsletters, etc.).

We promote the Waste Directory to customers.

**Other:**

If there are other sustainability actions that you are taking that aren't included in this application, please list them below.

**Visit Notes:**