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Applies To

Academic Division The Medical Center

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Reason for Policy

This policy, developed in response to the Code of Virginia (Section § 10.1-1425.6), describes the [University's Recycling Program](#) that is designed to conserve resources and foster environmental stewardship through reducing solid waste (trash) generation and increasing recycling and reuse.

Definition of Terms

[Recyclable, Recoverable, or Reusable Materials](#)

Materials that can be diverted from disposal in a landfill and accepted by the University's Recycling program.

[Solid Waste](#)

Materials which are typically disposed of in a landfill. This does not include hazardous, bio-hazardous, or other regulated waste.

[Source Reduction](#)

Programs that target the elimination of waste at its source and prior to its entering the waste stream. Examples include working with manufacturers and suppliers to use less packaging, ordering materials and supplies in bulk, and matching newspaper and phone book production to circulation.

[Waste Stream](#)

Waste materials generated in UVa facilities that can be recovered for reuse, recycled, or disposed in a landfill as solid waste.

Policy Statement

The University of Virginia will comply with the Code of Virginia through its [Recycling Program](#), which establishes UVA-wide recycling and waste reduction goals, implements strategies to achieve the goals, monitors the rates of recycling and trash production, and documents the effectiveness of the program.

Strategies focus on the entire waste stream and include *source reduction*, the beneficial *reuse* of materials, and efforts to recover and *recycle* materials to the maximum extent that is economically feasible.

[**Note:** University trash and recycling containers are to be used for University generated materials only.]

Information on the University's recycling program can be found at the [Recycling Program](#) website.

Compliance with Policy:

Failure to comply with the requirements of this policy may result in disciplinary action up to and including termination or expulsion in accordance with relevant University policies.

Questions about this policy should be directed to the [Energy and Utilities Department](#) or [Facilities Management](#).

Related Information

[IRM-003: Data Protection of University Information](#)

Major Category [Physical Resource Management](#)

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Applies To Text

Academic Division and the Medical Center.

Policy Summary

The University of Virginia operates a [Recycling Program](#) designed to reduce solid waste through source reduction, reuse and recycling.

Category Cross Reference

[Safety, Security and Environmental Quality](#)

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