Responsible Purchasing Guide *for* Office **Electronics**

Imaging Equipment: Copiers, Fax Machines, Printers, Multifunction Devices

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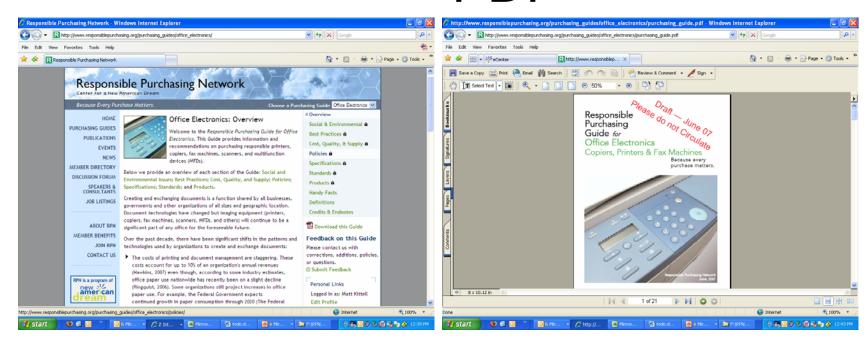




Background & Overview

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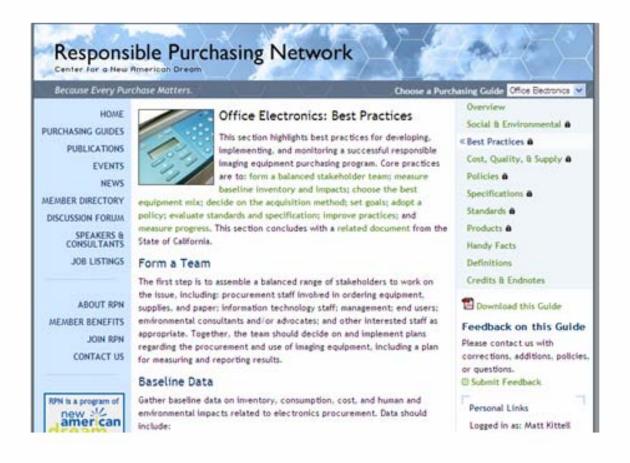


Social and Environmental

Impacts

- ▶ 26% of energy use in a typical office building
- ▶ 70% of heavy metals found in landfills originates from office electronics and computers
- ▶ 5% (and rising) of U.S. municipal solid waste is e-waste
- Ozone, particulates and VOCs
- Supplies and paper





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Assemble a Team

- Office managers, purchasers, maintenance staff, IT staff, etc.
- Develops, implements, and tracks office electronics policy





Inventory & Baseline



Set Goals

- Quantities and costs for machines, power, paper, pollutants
- Indicators (e.g., cost per copy, toxics)

- Energy and toxics reductions
- Costs
- ▶ Best equipment mix



Adopt a Policy

- Goals and commitments
- Short-term and long-term targets
- ▶ Responsibilities
- Effective dates
- Program monitoring





Improve Practices

- Equipment set-up
- Duplexing and paper reuse
- Reduce printing
- Go beyond hardware
- Networking
- Train and engage staff





Cost, Quality, & Supply

Cost

- ▶ Organizations spend up to 10% of their annual revenues on document production (equipment, energy, paper)
- Some features, such as duplex units, may increase equipment costs but reduce paper and energy costs.
- Additional cost reductions
 - ▶ Lower-priced remanufactured cartridges
 - ▶ Networking equipment



Cost, Quality, & Supply

Quality

- Digital technology produces higherquality prints and enables networking between devices
- Networking between machines enables users to select devices best suited for task at hand
- Look for warranties on devices and cartridges





Cost, Quality, & Supply

Supply

- Over 1000 ENERGY STAR registered models
- Hundreds of EcoLogo registered models
- Institutions already using these products include
 - State of California
 - ▶ King County
 - Commonwealth of Massachusetts





Policies & Specs

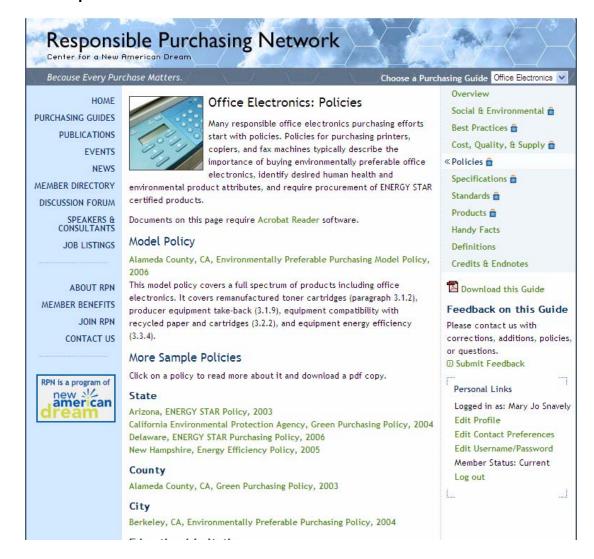
Policies and Specs

- Model policy and spec
- Additional samples from state and local agencies and universities
- Downloadable PDFs





Policies & Specs



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Standards & Products

Standards





Recommended



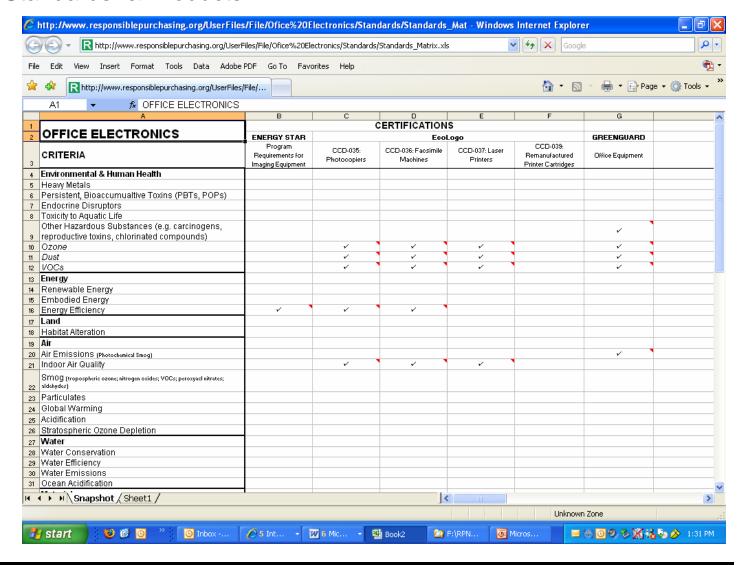








Standards & Products







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Products

Online products database









Conclusions

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- Large social and environmental impacts of imaging equipment
- Best practices reduce impact and save money
- Preferable equipment available with comparable cost, quality, and supply
- Many policies and contract specs are available
- Large number of ENERGYSTAR and EcoLogo registered products



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