

## Environmental Policy

### **Purpose**

Thornwood Design and Build is dedicated to minimizing our environmental impact and promoting sustainable practices in all aspects of our operations. This Environmental Policy outlines our commitment to environmental stewardship, aligning with our 'Design. Build. Deliver.' ethos to ensure sustainability is integrated into our projects and business activities.

### **Scope**

This policy applies to all employees, subcontractors, and stakeholders involved in our projects' design, planning, and construction. It covers all aspects of our operations from initial client consultation to post-project evaluation and aftercare.

### **Our 'Design. Build. Deliver.' Ethos and Its Relation to Environmental Policy**

#### **Design.**

At Thornwood Design and Build, our commitment to the environment begins with the design phase. We prioritize eco-friendly designs, utilizing sustainable materials and energy-efficient solutions. By incorporating green building standards and practices, we aim to reduce the environmental footprint of our projects from the outset.

#### **Build.**

During the build phase, we implement environmentally responsible construction practices. We focus on reducing waste, recycling materials, and minimizing emissions and energy consumption. Our construction sites are managed to protect local ecosystems and comply with all relevant environmental regulations.

#### **Deliver.**

Delivering projects that exemplify our environmental commitment is the culmination of our efforts. We ensure that the final delivery meets the highest environmental standards and promotes sustainability. Post-project, we engage in practices that support environmental conservation and community awareness.

## **Environmental Objectives**

1. **Sustainable Design:** Incorporate sustainable design principles and practices into all projects.
2. **Resource Efficiency:** Optimize the use of resources, including energy, water, and materials, to reduce waste and emissions.
3. **Compliance:** Adhere to all relevant environmental laws, regulations, and standards.
4. **Continuous Improvement:** Continuously improve our environmental performance through regular review and adoption of best practices.
5. **Awareness and Training:** Provide training and resources to employees and subcontractors to enhance their understanding and commitment to environmental stewardship.

## **Environmental Principles**

### **1. Pollution Prevention:**

- Implement measures to prevent pollution and minimize environmental impact.
- Conduct regular inspections and audits to ensure compliance with environmental standards.

### **2. Waste Management:**

- Reduce, reuse, and recycle waste materials wherever possible.
- Dispose of waste responsibly and in compliance with all regulations.

### **3. Energy and Water Efficiency:**

- Implement energy-efficient practices and technologies.
- Optimize water use and promote conservation efforts.

### **4. Sustainable Sourcing:**

- Source materials from sustainable and responsible suppliers.
- Prioritize the use of recycled and eco-friendly materials.

### **5. Community and Client Engagement:**

- Engage with clients and communities to promote environmental awareness and sustainability.
- Ensure client interactions reflect our commitment to environmental responsibility.

### **Responsibilities**

- Management: Ensure the effective implementation of the Environmental Policy and provide the necessary resources.
- Environmental Team: Oversee environmental activities, conduct audits, and report on environmental performance.
- Project Managers: Ensure project-specific environmental plans are developed and adhered to.
- Employees and Subcontractors: Comply with environmental procedures and contribute to sustainability efforts.

### **Review and Continuous Improvement**

This Environmental Policy will be reviewed annually to ensure its continuing suitability, adequacy, and effectiveness. Changes to the policy will be communicated to all employees and stakeholders.

By adhering to this Environmental Policy, Thornwood Design and Build commits to fostering a culture of environmental responsibility and sustainability in all our operations.

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Position: Founder & Managing Director