

SUSTAINABLE WATER POLICY

Ko te wai te ora ngā mea katoa.

(Water is the life giver of all things.)

Soar Communications Group Ltd (SCG) is committed to efficient and sustainable water management at our sites and in our operations.

SCG's values and commitments as set out in our Quality, Health, Safety and Environment Policy align with the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

Our Commitments

Through this Sustainable Water Policy SCG aims to support:

- Our People – train our staff by promoting water conservation and sustainable water use throughout our operations.
- Our Assets – by regularly reviewing our procurement policies and capital investments and maintaining our emergency response plans to mitigate risks to our operation.
- Our Community - Ensure we play our part to minimize the risks of environmental harm from spillages and wastewater contamination.

SCG recognises that our operations impact the environment. We commit to continually improving our environmental performance with a focus on efficient use of water resources.

Our commitment to sustainable water management is based around the following practices.

- assess, monitor and report on our water sources, resilience, and usage to identify potential areas for improvement.
- Implement water-efficient technologies and practices throughout our manufacturing process.
- Prioritize maintenance and repair of water-using equipment to prevent leaks and wastage.

Our Objectives

The intentions of this Sustainable Water Policy will be achieved by:

- Water Monitoring
 - Conduct continuous water usage assessments in our production system.
 - Measure and report on monthly water usage for our sites.

- Employee Engagement and Training
 - Communicate our commitment to sustainability and engage employees in our efforts to minimise our environmental impact.
 - Provide regular training and education to employees on water conservation and sustainability practices.
 - Foster a culture of responsibility, ownership, and innovation in environmental management.
 - Encourage involvement in improvement initiatives.

- Community Engagement and Collaboration
 - Support and engage in community-led environmental activities, such as clean-up events.
 - Support Auckland Council in its water conservation and management objectives.

- Policy Implementation, Monitoring and Review
 - This policy will be implemented company-wide and regularly reviewed to ensure its effectiveness. Monitoring and reporting progress will be the responsibility of the appointed Sustainability Officer, who will report to the top management on a quarterly basis. The latest version of the policy will be made publicly available on our website and shared with our stakeholders.

Environmental Impacts

We have responded to the concerns about the print industry and its environmental impact by:

- Continued growth strategies into new markets (Grande/large format digital, labels, Packaging, Digital Displays, Publishing and Content creation) which require less water use in their manufacturing processes.
- Continuous improvement of water process efficiency in our operations.
- Ensuring that our capital procurement policy considers water efficiency and chemical use in asset selection.

Other value chain risks and opportunities directly related to the sustainable water policy.

- Note the effects of climate variability on our water supply and requirements for resilience.
- Note the effects of our built environment from large weather events and our ability to slow the amount of water run-off from our sites into the local environment.



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