

# ECO-Conscious Choices for your Home and Office

Did you know that there are many **LITTLE** things you can do in your daily routine that will make a **BIG** difference to our environment? Post this list on your bulletin board, refrigerator or anywhere that it will serve as a daily reminder. Run an incentive program that rewards **ECO** conscious behaviour in your office and your home! Use some of the money you save to reward those complying with your **ECO**-rules.



## BATTERIES

*Don't buy single use batteries.*

In fact, make the commitment to buy only rechargeable batteries. One rechargeable can replace up to 300 single use batteries. If you do however have dead single use batteries, please dispose of them properly. There are many battery recycling plants and many retailers who collect batteries from consumers.

## FLASHLIGHTS

Debco offers many eco friendly flashlight options with solar power (see our FL4603), hand crank (see our CT4447) and shake (see our FL4256) functions. At the very least, use an LED flashlight (see our FL4508) which uses batteries that last up to 20 times longer.



## WATER

*Do not use bottled water!*

If tap water is not appealing, use a water cooler or filtered water pitchers in the fridge. Plastic water bottles make millions of tons of polluting waste! Choose from Debco's growing selection of **BPA**-free water bottles, including our popular **WB3940** 18/8 in stainless steel or the new **WB7026** in **PETG**.



## DRIVING HABITS

Slow down. The faster you drive, the more fuel you use. Keep your tires properly inflated with Debco's handy **CT2971** tire gauge to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Carpool, bike, walk or take public transit whenever you can.



## LIGHTS

Whenever you are not in a room or when you leave your office, turn off your lights. Change from traditional bulbs to compact fluorescents that use up to 80% less energy. Use timers and sensors wherever possible for lights to come on and go off automatically as needed.



## LITTERLESS LUNCH

In-office coffee machines and kettles used along with washable/reusable ceramic mugs help to make a dent in the billions of Styrofoam and paper cups used and then discarded around the world. See our **NW2816** and **NW6915** made from non woven remarkably strong material.



## PLASTIC BAGS

Say no thank you to plastic bags at the grocery store checkout and carry your own reusable, recycled totes. Try Debco's **NW4060**, a large, spacious, eco-friendly bag made from 25% recycled non woven material. It is the perfect shopping companion!



## FURNITURE

*Choose eco-friendly furniture!*

Bamboo, cork and reclaimed wood are natural choices. Antiques, of course, are the best reduce, reuse and recycle options available in furnishings!



## KITCHEN

One of the best ways to incorporate green living in your kitchen is with Energy Star® appliances, which use less energy and save on your utility bills. There are many eco-friendly products that can be used in everyday food preparation. Always have knives handy with our **KP4755** bamboo butcher block knife set or use our **KP6930** bamboo serving set for a beautiful presentation and show your commitment to the environment.

