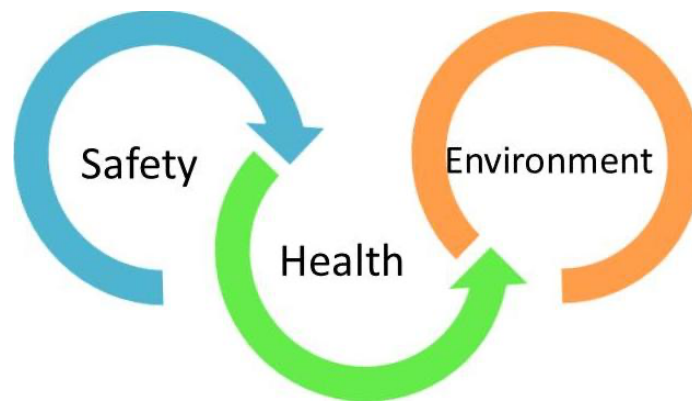




## **New Zealand SDA Conferences**

### **Environmental Policy**



2019

New Zealand Seventh Day Adventist Conferences acknowledge God as the creator and recognise the importance of protecting His creation and using natural and physical resources wisely and is dependent on a safe and healthy environment in which to operate its various operational activities, ministries and facilities

Based on its acceptance of this premise, the Conferences are committed to maintaining a high standard of environmental performance throughout their operational activities, ministries, facilities and Churches. In particular those operations that interact directly with the physical environment and will operate in accordance with the following principles:

- Manage their resources in a sustainable manner and with regard to the wellbeing of the communities in which they operate
- Adopt practices that will ensure effective and efficient use of energy resources
- Adopt practices that reduce waste and emissions
- Conferences activities and operations will be conducted in a manner that is equal to, or exceeds statutory requirements and will include the environmental wellbeing of its personnel and others in its places of work, activities, ministries, facilities and Churches
- Conferences will provide comprehensive training for its Personnel, those leading its activities, programmes and Churches as well as contractors they employ so that they know and understand its environmental policy, their obligations under environmental legislation, and
- Will employ environmentally sound working practices across all of its activities, operations, facilities and Churches

Conferences in implementing their environmental policy will hold its Officers, management, staff, Church Leaders as well as their contractors and those other persons in attendance at its facilities accountable for their environmental performance and require of contractors to use environmentally sound business practices when undertaking business for or on behalf of the organisation

Conferences will regularly monitor their environmental performance, having regard to the above principles and will carry out an annual audit of their environmental performance