

DIRECTOR'S POLICY 500-11

ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

Originating Component: Engineering Directorate

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Releasability: Unlimited. This Director's Policy (DP) is approved for public

release and is located on the Defense Commissary Agency's

(DeCA) internet website at www.commissaries.com.

Reissues and Cancels DP 500-11, "Environmental Policy," June 29, 2018.

1. PURPOSE: This DP communicates the commitment of DeCA as a leader in environmental management in the retail food industry and the Armed Forces community. It fulfills the requirements for Federal agencies to meet such statutory requirements in a manner that increases efficiency, optimizes performance, eliminates unnecessary use of resources, and protects the environment by Executive Order (EO) 13834: Efficient Federal Operations.

2. POLICY.

a. DeCA's environmental mission is to protect the environment where we work and live. We demonstrate this commitment through compliance with EOs, Federal and State legislation, and Department of Defense policies relative to energy and the environment.

- b. DeCA is committed to the prevention of pollution through source reduction, material reuse, recycling, and conservation. By integrating sound environmental practices in all aspects of our business, we can better serve our military community as well as conserve and enhance the natural environment for future generations.
- c. DeCA will continuously improve upon our processes and services to protect and enhance our environment in accordance with (IAW) EO 13834 or whenever the process and/or service has been determined to be beneficial and economically expedient.
- d. DeCA understands that by protecting the environment we protect each military family, employee, community, and our limited natural resources. To this end, we commit that:
- (1) Environmental protection is a responsibility of every DeCA employee and will be a constant consideration in our service delivery systems.
- (2) We will identify, support, and promote sound business practices that enhance environmental quality.
- (3) This DP will be implemented, maintained, and communicated to all employees and business partners. It is available to the public and other interested parties upon request.
- **3. RESPONSIBILITIES.** DeCA employees, at all levels, will perform their jobs in a way that complies with this policy. Our continued focus on activities to improve DeCA's operations will contribute to our competitive strength and enhance our operations while keeping service to the customer at the forefront.
- a. Our commitment is to participate in the host installation environmental protection programs and/or Environmental Management System (EMS) IAW established Interservice Support Agreements (ISA) to the fullest extent in a manner that increases efficiency, optimizes performance, eliminates unnecessary use of resources, and protects the environment.
- b. Review ISA and contact host installation Environmental Compliance and Conservation departments located within the Department of Public Works/Base Civil Engineering for additional guidance and resources.

4. APPLICABILITY. This DP assigns responsibility for accomplishing the requirements of DoD Publications program, IAW DoDI 5025.01. This DP applies to all DeCA activities and all DeCA personnel.

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