



# Sustainability Policy

## Objectives

The Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games Corporation (GOLDOC) is committed to demonstrating leadership within the field of event sustainability management and will follow applicable international standards of best practice.

GOLDOC’s sustainability objectives are:

1. To implement the international standard ISO20121: Event Sustainability Management Systems;
2. To report on GOLDOC’s sustainability performance in accordance with the Global Reporting Initiative’s Event Organiser Sector Supplement (GRI EOSS); and
3. To communicate GOLDOC’s leadership in sustainable event management.

Along with these objectives, GOLDOC has also developed a number of key sustainability priorities as shown in Figure 1 below.

GOLDOC’s sustainability objectives and priorities have been developed from commitments given in the bid to host GC2018, engagement from interested parties and consideration of requirements and the needs of end users.

In accordance with ISO20121, these objectives and key priorities will be reviewed annually and where appropriate, targets will be set.

In order to be transparent in our processes, we are committed to reporting against these sustainability objectives and priorities and will engage with our supply chain and other interested parties in this process.

## GC2018 Sustainability Priorities



Figure 1: GC2018 Sustainability Priorities

## Policy Statement

The Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games Corporation (GOLDOC) was established for the purposes of planning, organising and delivering the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games™ (GC2018).

The successful delivery of GC2018 will be the result of a collaborative partnership between a large number of stakeholders including GOLDOC, the State of Queensland (State), the City of Gold Coast (City), the Australian Government, the Commonwealth Games Federation (CGF), the Australian Commonwealth Games Association (ACGA) along with a number of other local councils, international sporting bodies, the supply chain and the local community, to name a few.

The principle of sustainability is core to the delivery of GC2018 with the concepts of sustainability and legacy underpinning the bid.

There are many definitions of sustainability, but perhaps the most widely recognised is that given in the Brundtland Report<sup>1</sup> - "Sustainable development is development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs".

Based on this principle, GOLDOC is committed to addressing sustainability criteria in all of its GC2018 activities, to achieve positive economic, social and environmental outcomes.

## Guiding Principles

We are committed to the following governing principles of sustainable development:

1. Inclusivity – To ensure that all interested parties are able to participate without fear of discrimination.
2. Integrity – To conduct GC2018 in an ethical manner, consistent with international standards of behaviour.
3. Stewardship – To take responsibility for the economic, environmental and social outcomes to be shared by all.
4. Transparency – To communicate willingly and openly about the decisions and activities that affect the social, environmental and economic outcomes of our actions.
5. Leadership – To demonstrate leadership by delivering GC2018 to international standards, constantly improving our ways of working and meeting all legal and other requirements.

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<sup>1</sup> *World Commission on Environment and Development (1987) 'Our Common Future'*  
Oxford University Press

GOLDOC's values align with these governing principles of sustainable development.

## Scope

This policy applies to the delivery of GC2018 by GOLDOC, from conception and planning to implementation, review and post-Games activities. GOLDOC also encourages all stakeholders and contractors associated with GC2018 to observe the terms of this policy.

## Communication

This policy will be communicated to all stakeholders including our supply chain. GC2018 will be reliant on the collaboration of a number of different stakeholders across the wider community, and therefore open communication amongst all parties will be essential.

If you have any questions or comments about the GC2018 sustainability program, please contact us via email: [sustainability@goldoc.com](mailto:sustainability@goldoc.com)

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