



GREENSAFE™ PROGRAM



WE MAKE GOING GREEN EASY.

Imperial Dade recognizes and supports the growing need for environmentally preferable product options. Our Greensafe Program is a comprehensive supply chain management program including consulting, product sourcing, fulfillment and procedural training designed to help businesses reach their sustainability goals.



The **Greensafe Cleaning Program** is a facilities maintenance program that protects the health of the custodial staff and building occupants and has a reduced impact on the environment. Green cleaning products and procedures are extremely effective and cost neutral. Imperial Dade offers a complete line of chemicals, paper products, tools and equipment that when used properly help improve indoor air quality, reduce waste and better maintain a safe, clean facility.



The **Greensafe Foodservice Program** guides customers in understanding the various attributes of both traditional and new product technology, assisting the foodservice operator in making the best choices based on their individual goals. There are many attributes to consider when selecting the best food packaging and serviceware for an operation. Functionality, cost, recyclability and raw material sources are all factors to be weighed when sourcing products.

Greensafe Services Include:

- Imperial Dade will perform an audit and recommend alternative products that meet sustainability goals.
- Imperial Dade will offer consultative support on topics including source-reduction, recycling, composting, life-cycle assessment and third-party certifications.
- Imperial Dade will provide green-spend reporting, detailing the value of compliant products purchased within a timeframe.
- Imperial Dade will provide carbon disclosure reporting, detailing the fuel consumption related to the delivery of products purchased within a timeframe.

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ASTM International (American Society for Testing and Materials): A globally recognized leader in the development and delivery of international voluntary consensus standards including those for biodegradability and compostability.

Bagasse: The biomass remaining from sugarcane processing which can be used to make fiber for foodservice packaging.

Biobased: Materials that are organic in nature.

Biodegradable: Materials that are organic liquids or solids, which will degrade as a result of natural bacterial activity under specific conditions with exposure to oxygen, water and light.



BPI: Biodegradable Products Institute, a professional association which promotes the use of biodegradable polymeric materials via composting.



Compostable: Materials that are solid biodegradable substances that decay into nutrient rich, reusable material under controlled conditions such as a commercial composting facility.



EcoLogo®: An independent organization that certifies products, which are determined to be environmentally preferable.



EPA: Environmental Protection Agency, a federally funded agency working to protect human health and the environment.



EPA Compliant: Products that meet EPA guidelines for recycled content.



FSC: Forest Stewardship Council, an independent, member-led organization that sets standards for responsible forest management.



Green Restaurant®: The Green Restaurant Association is an international non-profit organization and is the leading voice within the industry, encouraging restaurants to green their operations using transparent, science-based certification standards.



Greensafe™: Imperial Dade's exclusive customer service program including various value-added services to assist customers in meeting their green supply systems goals.



Green Seal: An independent organization that certifies products, which are determined to be environmentally preferable.



LEED®: Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design™, a voluntary consensus-based national standard developed by the USGBC for rating buildings.

PLA (Poly Lactic Acid): Starch-based material that can be processed into fiber and film used for foodservice packaging.



Rapidly Renewable Resource: Raw materials that grow, or renew, in less than 10 years.



Safer Choice: Safer choice, the U.S. EPA's labeling program, helps commercial buyers identify and select products with safer chemical ingredients, without sacrificing quality or performance.



SFI (Sustainable Forestry Initiative): An independent organization that certifies forestry practices to insure they are being managed in a sustainable manner.

Sustainability: The ability to meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.



USGBC: The United States Green Building Council, a coalition of building industry professionals working to promote environmentally responsible, healthy facilities.

