



THE INN AT VIRGINIA TECH  
AND SKELTON CONFERENCE CENTER

## GREEN MEETINGS AT THE INN AT VIRGINIA TECH AND SKELTON CONFERENCE CENTER

Green meetings are not only good for the Earth, but they're great for business. A green meeting can give your group a positive reputation, a competitive edge and can ultimately save time and money in the process.

As a Green Lodging Facility we are aggressively working to limit our impact on the environment as much as possible. Our team will work diligently to guarantee your meeting is as environmentally conscious as possible and we will work with you to ensure all your needs are met and satisfied.

Our efforts are highly committed to being environmentally conscious and our team would love the pleasure to work with you to ensure your meeting is friendly to our environment.

### Meetings

- Bulk water pitchers provided instead of individual bottled water.
- Recycling bins provided for paper, plastic, aluminum or as needed.
- Paper and/or pens are optional or supplied as needed.
- 100% recycled paper is used.
- Condiments and food items served in bulk.
- Meal 'sign-up', letting us know what meals will be needed to prevent food waste.
- Vegetarian meal selections: vegetables consume less land base and energy to produce
- Reusable centerpieces and decorations are available such as living plants, or silk flowers.
- Reusable cutlery, dishware, coffee mugs and linens are used.
- Telephone and web conferencing available for guests who cannot travel.

### Facility

- **Mass transit:** Shuttle available to and from the Virginia Tech airport. Within walking distance to restaurants, shops, and entertainment venues.
- **In rooms:** Optional laundry service, reuse towel program, glasses/mugs versus disposables, efficient HVAC - individual thermostats, low flow fixtures, optional free newspapers.
- **Water Efficiency:** low flow restrictors (high pressure), sensors on faucets/toilets, low flow toilets, dishwashers that re-circulate, maintenance of drips/leaks.
- **Energy Efficiency:** efficient HVAC - natural gas, skylights/natural lighting design, lighting sensors and high efficiency compact fluorescents, EnergyStar computers, refrigerators, etc., insulation, directional lighting (parking areas, outdoor, non-dome lights that do not cause energy wasting light pollution)
- **Laundry:** water efficient washers (reuse or filter washwaters, energy efficient dryers, environmentally-friendly detergents (using proper amount of bleaches), linen segregation, gentle cycles for lightly soiled.

*We are always interested in doing more to limit our impact on the environment. If you have further ideas or suggestions please let us know! Talk with your event planner or email Teresa Hughes at [thughes@vt.edu](mailto:thughes@vt.edu).*