

Waste Management

The University of Haifa operates in accordance with relevant Israeli legislation and policies, including the "Environmental Policy" advocated by the Ministry of Environment. (link: https://www.gov.il/BlobFolder/policy/waste_strategy_2030/he/waste_Strategy%20for_circular%20economy_moep2021.pdf)

In accordance with this policy, the University of Haifa is actively pursuing the following initiatives:

Goals	Activities Perused, Action Items
Waste Reduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Minimize use of plastic plates, bottles, cups and utensils• Minimize food waste• Sustainable food supply chain• Paperless office, digitization
Reuse	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use of recycled paper
Recycle	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Waste collection in separate streams, according to the Israeli regulations• Additional collection of special items, like used batteries• On campus recycling of wood trimmings• Used cooking oil collection for recycle
Energy Recovery	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No local energy recovery on campus
Landfill	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Minimize, by maximizing all previous categories: Reduction, Reuse, Recycle & Energy Recovery

See additional details regarding Waste Management policy & implementation below.

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Minimize use of plastic plates, bottles, cups and utensils	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food Court: Businesses on campus utilize reusable materials. (Reference – Annex 1 – Generic "Sustainability Annex" to contracts with food suppliers on campus) • Water fountains are located throughout the campus to encourage the use of reusable water bottles (Reference – Annex 2 – Water fountain list) • Staff are encouraged to use reusables cups. University branded cups are available, and so are cup washing machines in kitchenets (over 37 units). (Reference – Annex 3 – Reusable branded cups & cup washing machine) • Procurement department purchases only biodegradable cups (Reference – This document)
Minimize food waste	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food Court: Businesses on campus have strategies minimize food waste (Reference – Annex 1 – Generic "Sustainability Annex" to contracts with food suppliers on campus)
Sustainable food supply chain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food Court: Businesses on campus have policies to purchases of food items from vendors that have a "Sustainable food supply chain" (Reference – Annex 1 – Generic "Sustainability Annex" to contracts with food suppliers on campus) • Procurement department favor purchases of food items from vendors that have a "Sustainable food supply chain" policy (Reference – This document)
Paperless office, digitization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Various activities & procedures throughout the administration various departments have been transformed from Paper Oriented, requiring paper forms, to Paper Free digitized processes. (Reference – This document)

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Reuse

Goals	Activities Perused, Action Items
Use of recycled paper	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Procurement department favors purchase of recycled paper (Reference – This document)
Reuse furniture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reuse furniture policy when renovating and/or re-purposing laboratories, classrooms & offices. The old furniture is stored on site. Before purchasing new furniture, the use of existing furniture is evaluated. (Reference – This document)

Recycle

Agenda	Activities Perused, Action Items
Waste collection in separate streams, according to the Israeli regulations (Paper & Cardboard, Containers, Plastic Bottles)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Campos contains several strategically located recycle bins, for collection of various streams according to the Israeli regulations. (Reference – Annex 4 – Waste Recycle Data)
Additional collection of special items: Electronic devices, Equipment & used batteries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collection points are available for special items: electronic devices, equipment & used batteries (Reference – Annex 4 – Waste Recycle Data)
On campus use of wood trimmings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gardening waste, especially wood trimmings, are shredded and spared as organic fertilizer. (Reference – Annex 5 – Agronomic landscape and gardening guidelines & report)
Used cooking oil collection for recycle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cooking oil collected and recycled by on campus vendors (Reference – Annex 1 – Generic "Sustainability Annex" to contracts with food suppliers on campus, Reference – Annex 4 – Waste Recycle Data)
Construction waste (demolition, renovation, construction)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As per Israeli regulations, construction waste is treated as a separate stream and transported to state otherized locations for further processing. (Reference: https://www.gov.il/he/pages/2nd-and-3rd-readings)