

HOME RETAIL GROUP ENERGY POLICY

Home Retail Group is the UK's leading general merchandise retailer with a multi-brand, multichannel offer. Our customers are able to choose from a huge range of merchandise, including toys, electrical goods, clothing, hard goods and household furnishings.

Policy Statement

We have a responsibility to consider our impact on the environment. We are committed to continuous improvement in our environmental performance, particularly through minimising waste, increasing energy efficiency and reducing our consumption of materials.

Aims in relation to Energy

To continuously pursue energy efficient practices and systems in relation to all our premises whether owned or leased.

Objectives in relation to Energy

- a. To comply in both letter and spirit to all relevant energy efficiency legislation.
- b. To continue to reduce energy consumption within our premises when measured on a kWh/sq ft basis.*
- c. To achieve and maintain 'Energy Efficiency Accreditation' for our brands as administered by the Carbon Trust.
- d. To promote 'Energy Awareness' throughout the Home Retail Group.
- e. To contribute to the British Retail Consortium Energy Group through involvement in initiatives.
- f. To purchase 'Green Electricity' to the highest maximum level practicable within the constraints of the market*

Strategies for Implementation

- Ensure that the energy footprint for new premises meets or exceeds benchmark level for sector.
- Ensure the continual review of technical specifications to provide energy efficient installations within our premises.
- Ensure that energy data is collected accurately for all sites and that premises outside normal tolerances are identified.
- Ensure that staff are engaged with the energy agenda through Awareness Campaigns.

2007/08 Targets*

- A reduction in energy consumption of 2% Kwh /sq ft based on 06/07 data
- The purchase of at least 30% renewable energy