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DIVISION ONE Abbreviations & Glossary of Terms

101 Abbreviations

AC	Air Conditioner
CO ₂	Carbon Dioxide
DoF	Department of Finance of the Government of Ras Al Khaimah
EE&R	Energy Efficiency and Renewables
EE&R Committee	Energy Efficiency and Renewables Committee
EE&R Strategy	Energy Efficiency and Renewables Strategy 2040
e.g.	exempli gratia "for example"
EGA	Electronic Government Authority of the Government of Ras Al Khaimah
EPDA	Environmental Protection and Development Authority of the Government of Ras Al Khaimah
GHG	Greenhouse Gas
GPC	Green Procurement Champion
GPP	Green Public Procurement
GSO	Gulf Standardisation Organisation
ICV	In-Country Value
IDO	Investment and Development Office
i.e.	id est "in other words"
LCC	Life-Cycle Cost
MOCCAE	Ministry of Climate Change and Environment of the UAE
MOIAT	Ministry of Industry and Advanced Technology

PSD	Public Service Department of the Government of Ras Al Khaimah
RAKEZ	Ras Al Khaimah Economic Zone
RAK Ports	Ras Al Khaimah Ports
Reem	Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Sector of Ras Al Khaimah Municipality
RISS	Ras Al Khaimah Integrated Sustainability Strategy
SDGs	Sustainable Development Goals
UAE	United Arab Emirates
UN	United Nations

102 Glossary of Terms

GHG Emissions Protocol	 A widely recognized framework for measuring and managing greenhouse gas emissions. It provides standardized guidelines for organizations to quantify and report their emissions consistently. The key components of the GHG Emissions Protocol include: Scope 1: Direct emissions from owned or controlled sources (e.g., emissions from company vehicles). Scope 2: Indirect emissions from the generation of purchased electricity, steam, heating, and cooling consumed by the reporting entity. Scope 3: Indirect emissions not included in Scope 2, covering the entire value chain (e.g., emissions from suppliers, waste disposal, employee commuting).
Government Entity	A government department or government owned company of Ras Al Khaimah.
Green Procurement Champion (GPC)	A designated employee who ensures that the procurement processes within his or her organization follow the GPP Guidelines. The nomination of a GPC is mandated through the Resolution.
Green Procurement Category Leader	A designated Government Entity which is responsible to develop and periodically update the GPP Criteria for their assigned product, service or works categories.
Green Procurement Initiative Leader	A designated Government Entity which is responsible to develop and implement an assigned GPP Initiative.
Green Public Procurement (GPP)	A process whereby government entities seek to procure goods, services and works with a reduced environmental impact throughout their life cycle when compared to products, services and works with the same primary function that would otherwise be procured.
GPP Administrator	A designated Government Entity which coordinates GPP implementation across assigned Government Entities. As per the Resolution, the GPP Administrator for government departments is the Department of Finance and the GPP Administrator for government owned companies is the Investment and Development Office.
GPP Criteria	For Products, Services and Contracting Works: a list of minimum Technical Specifications, as provided in Annex A and B, that can be considered in procuring some products, services and contracting works by Government Entities, to ensure that they are green.
	For Tender Evaluation: a list of evaluation criteria that can be considered to assign extra point advantage for suppliers in the tendering process of Government Entities based on their behavior towards reducing environmental impacts, emission reduction and establishment in Ras Al Khaimah. These evaluation criteria are designed in the form of a "point system" as represented in Annex C.

GPP Initiative	An organizational program, plan or effort that Government Entities can carry out to improve efficiency or effectiveness of their GPP practices. The scope of a GPP Initiative may include minimization or elimination the procurement of harmful products or services when other alternatives are available, improvement of the procurement process or organization within the Government Entity, or awareness and capacity building within the Government Entity or in the market.
Life-Cycle Cost (LCC)	The sum of all recurring and one-time costs over the full lifespan of a product or service or contracting work. This includes but is not limited to the purchase price, installation cost, operating costs, maintenance costs and disposal costs.
Statement of Works	Requirement specifications for work assignments outlining the specific services a contractor is expected to perform, generally indicating the type, level and quality of service, as well as the time schedule required. Usually accompanied by a bill of quantities and/or drawings/designs.
Technical Specifications	A description of the technical requirements for a material or product.
Terms of Reference	A description of the scope of work for services generally indicating the work to be performed, the level of quality and effort, the timeline and the deliverables.
The Resolution	Resolution No.19 of 2024 regarding adoption of green procurement by government departments and government owned companies in Ras Al Khaimah.

DIVISION TWO Objectives

201 Concept and Context of GPP

Green Public Procurement (GPP) is a process whereby government entities seek to procure products, services or contracting works with a reduced environmental impact throughout their life cycle when compared to other products, services and works with the same primary function.

GPP in Ras AI Khaimah originated in 2020 as part of the EE&R Strategy, aiming at supporting the competitiveness of Ras AI Khaimah's economy over the long run, by reducing energy and water consumption and increasing the share of renewables. The primary scope of the initial GPP implementation was Scope 1 and 2 of the GHG Emissions Protocol.

The expansion of the EE&R Strategy into RISS offered an opportunity to expand the scope of GPP, by addressing a broader range of environmental aspects, and by extending intervention to Scope 3 of the GHG Emissions Protocol. The extension to Scope 3 supports the capacity building objectives of RISS, i.e. the creation of a new market for sustainable products and services, which would contribute to the economic growth of the Emirate as well as the development of new local skills and capabilities.

Adoption of GPP is mandated by the Resolution, requiring Government Entities to set targets for implementation of GPP within their organization and report on progress to the GPP Administrators.

This document, the GPP Guidelines, has the objective to guide Government Entities in implementing the requirements of the Resolution. The GPP Guidelines are issued in two languages, Arabic and English. In case of any inconsistencies between the Arabic and the English versions, the Arabic one shall prevail.

202 Purpose

The objectives of the Resolution are the following:

Reduction of energy consumption



Reduction of water consumption



Reduction of GHG emissions, waste and overall environmental impacts



Development of local market

Since GPP achieves these objectives by considering the life cycle cost (LCC) of the purchased products, services or works, its implementation is expected to provide economic benefits in the long run. This LCC approach means looking beyond the mere purchase price, to also include other significant cost items over the entire lifespan of a product or service, such as utility costs, maintenance costs, and disposal costs. When LCC is considered, it is more likely that resource inefficiencies are minimized or eliminated. Often this also leads to better environmental performance, due to reduced energy or water consumption, reduced waste of materials, longer useful life, etc.

GPP also achieves these objectives by promoting virtuous supplier behaviors towards reduction of environmental impact in their internal processes and their supply chain, and towards investments in local supply capacity. This would also result in a local supply business eco-system, better prepared for a likely future scenario where lower emissions and shorter supply chains become sources of competitive advantage.

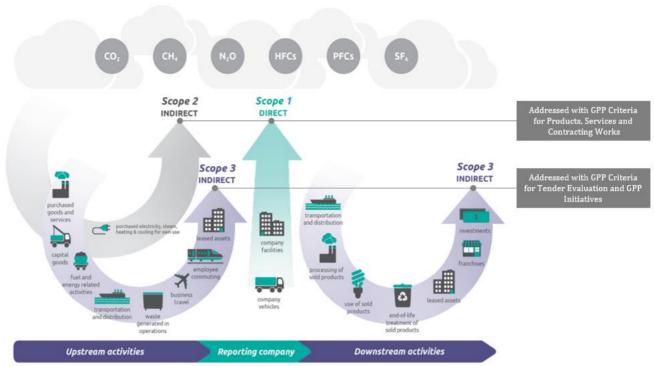
The scope of the GPP Guidelines matches the definitions of the GHG Emissions Protocol, as follows:

- 1. The GPP Guidelines address Scope 1 and 2 of the GHG Emissions Protocol, by reducing the direct and indirect emissions from the use of the products, services and works purchased by Government Entities (a significant part of these emissions are related to energy and water consumed), and by procuring a higher share of energy from renewable energy sources.
- The GPP Guidelines address Scope 3 of the GHG Emissions Protocol, by reducing emissions and other environmental impacts occurring in product, service or contracting works value chains, both up-stream and down-stream.

Figure 1 maps the scope of the GPP Guidelines with the definitions of the GHG Emissions Protocol.

DIVISION TWO: Objectives

Ras Al Khaimah Green Public Procurement Guidelines



Source: GHG Protocol's Technical Guidance for Calculating Scope 3 Emissions, page 6. Chart integrated with information from the GPP Guidelines

Figure 1. Overview of the Scope of the GPP Guidelines vs. the Definitions of the GHG Emissions Protocol

DIVISION THREE Legal and Policy Context 301 International Agreements

Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

In 2015, all United Nations (UN) member states adopted the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, an aspirational plan which aims to provide peace and prosperity for people and the planet. The goals of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development balance the three (3) dimensions of sustainability, i.e. the economic, the social and the environmental dimension, and are formulated around the so called 'five Ps':

- <u>People:</u> Eradicate poverty and hunger in all forms and combat inequalities
- <u>Planet:</u> Protect the planet from degradation so it can support the needs of current and future generations
- Prosperity: Ensure prosperous and fulfilling lives in harmony with nature
- Peace: Foster peaceful, just and inclusive societies
- Partnership: Implement the agenda through global partnerships

The 'five Ps' are addressed by 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) with 169 sub-targets. As a member of the UN, the UAE is committed to the SDGs and formed a National Committee on SDGs in 2017, which is responsible for the national implementation of the SDGs, including monitoring and progress reporting.



Figure 2. Overview of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

The SDG 12 'Responsible Consumption and Production' explicitly calls for public procurement practices that are sustainable and in line with national environmental policies (sub-target 12.7). The number of countries implementing sustainable procurement practices is used as an indicator to measure progress toward this sub-target. GPP can also lead to a more efficient use of materials (sub-target 12.2), an environmentally sound management of chemicals (sub-target 12.4) and helps to reduce waste generation (sub-target 12.5).

Besides SDG 12, GPP indirectly contributes to various other SDGs. For example, mandating a high energy and water efficiency for purchased goods and assets supports SDG 6 'Clean Water and Sanitation' and SDG 7 'Affordable and Clean Energy', particularly the sub-targets 6.4 'Increase the Water Efficiency' and 7.3 'Increase the Energy Efficiency'. GPP can also promote a sustainable use of ecosystems, which supports SDG 14 'Life Below Water' and 15 'Life on Land', by, for example, requiring timber products to come from sustainable forestry (sub-target 15.2). Moreover, GPP incentivizes the market to adopt clean and environmentally sound production methods (sub-target 9.4), thus contributing to SDG 9 'Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure'.

302 Federal and Emirate Level Strategies

Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC) for the UAE

The UAE's NDC strengthens the country's commitment to addressing climate change, with updated targets and strategies aligned with the Paris Agreement. Key highlights include a net-zero emissions target by 2050, a focus on energy transition, efforts in climate adaptation and resilience, a commitment to international cooperation, and transparency in monitoring and reporting.

GPP supports these climate goals by reducing emissions (as a result of prioritizing low-carbon, energyefficient products and services), boosting the green economy (as a result of stimulating green jobs and industry), and supporting broader sustainability objectives.

The United Arab Emirates' First Long-Term Strategy (LTS)

LTS is a comprehensive plan aimed at achieving net-zero emissions by 2050, transitioning to renewable energy, promoting a green economy, and enhancing climate resilience. It includes a broad set of measures across industries to support the country's sustainable development while diversifying its economy and reducing its carbon footprint. GPP has a relevant role within the strategy, and Ras Al Khaimah is indicated as one of the territories leading in this type of initiatives.

UAE Green Agenda 2030

Building upon the UAE Vision 2021, the UAE developed the Green Agenda 2030. This new initiative was approved in 2015 and includes five (5) strategic objectives with twelve (12) main programs with various sub-programs aimed to transform the country towards a green economy. The strategic objectives and main program are illustrated in the table below.

DIVISION THREE: Legal and Policy Context

Strategic Objective	Main Programs
1. Competitive Knowledge Feenemy	1.1 National Green Innovation Program
1. Competitive Knowledge Economy	1.2 Green Diversification Program
2 Social Dovelopment & Quelity of Life	2.1 Integrated Green Infrastructure Program
2. Social Development & Quality of Life	2.2 Green Workforce & Talent Program
3. Sustainable Environment & Valued Natural	3.1 Natural Capital & Resilience Program
Resources	3.2 Environmental Goods & Services Program
	4.1 Integrated Power & Water Management Program
4. Clean Energy & Climate Action	4.2 National Renewable Energy Program
	4.3 National Green Economy Data Program
	5.1 National Energy & Water Efficiency Program
5. Green Life & Sustainable Use of Resources	5.2 National Waste-to-Resource Program
	5.3 National Sustainable Transport Program

Table 1: Objectives and Main Programs of the UAE Green Agenda 2030

GPP falls under the third objective and is one initiative of program 3.2 Environmental Goods and Services, which aims to enhance the market penetration of environment-friendly goods and services.

National Climate Change Plan 2017 – 2050

The UAE's National Climate Change Plan was launched in 2017 and is part of the country's commitment towards the SDGs, particularly SDG 13 'Climate Action', and also contributes towards the Green Agenda 2030. The climate change plan has the following three objectives:

- Manage GHG emissions in harmony with economic growth
- Minimize climate risks and increase the UAE's climate resilience
- Reduce the UAE's dependence on fossil fuels

The plan highlights the importance of the private sector, which plays a critical role in the country's economic diversification by providing environmentally friendly goods and services. To fulfil this role, the government must enable the private sector through a supportive regulatory framework as well as through incentives. As an immediate action, federal and emirate-level governments are encouraged to develop policies for climate-smart industries and services. In this context, the plan specifically refers to the strengthening of GPP legislations.

Green Public Procurement Pledge of the UAE (GPP Pledge)

Through the GPP Pledge to the IDDI initiative of UNIDO, the UAE agreed, *inter alia*, to adopt time-bound commitments to procuring low-emission steel, cement, concrete, to achieving net zero emissions in public buildings and built infrastructure, to pursuing the development and use of harmonised emissions accounting standards, and to supporting innovation and deployment of breakthrough technologies by stimulating

demand and commercialization of near-zero-emission materials. The GPP Guidelines support the UAE's pledge.

Ras Al Khaimah Vision 2030

Ras Al Khaimah Vision 2030 is a long term strategy of Ras Al Khaimah which is based on the principle of sustainable growth and is designed around three pillars: 'economy', 'society' and 'environment'. The strategy envisages to promote diversified economic growth and higher prosperity while improving the happiness and cohesiveness of the community and preserving the environment. GPP is part of RAK Integrated Sustainability Strategy (RISS), which is a key component of the environment pillar of Vision 2030.

Ras AI Khaimah Integrated Sustainability Strategy (RISS)

RISS is a 2050 strategy of Ras Al Khaimah with three main objectives:

- Utility security and competitiveness: Secure cost-effective supply of energy and water, supporting Ras Al Khaimah's development
- Preserve and develop Ras Al Khaimah's habitats, biodiversity and natural resources
- Reduce net GHG emissions and adapt to a low-carbon global economy

RISS originated as an extension of the EE&R Strategy. GPP, which was one of the programs of the EE&R Strategy, became an initiative of RISS, within the Sustainable Buildings and Communities program.

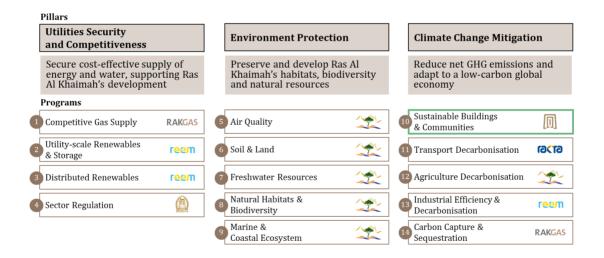


Figure 3. RISS Framework (GPP is within the Sustainable Buildings & Communities Program)

Barjeel, the Green Building Regulations of Ras Al Khaimah

The Executive Council of Ras Al Khaimah issued Resolution No. 6 of 2018 to adopt Barjeel, the green building regulations of Ras Al Khaimah. Barjeel sets minimum sustainability standards for new constructions, and buildings permitted under Barjeel are expected to consume 30% less water and energy. The regulations became mandatory on 31 January 2020 and all new buildings, including government buildings, are required to comply with Barjeel.



The GPP Guidelines encourage compliance with Barjeel for the replacement of lights and of water fixtures and fittings in existing buildings.

Energy Management

Amiri Resolution No. 18 of 2024 mandates that Government Entities occupying their own premises and primarily engaged in office-based activities reduce electricity consumption by at least 30%, water consumption by at least 20%, and transportation fuel consumption by at least 20% by 2030, using 2017 as the baseline. It also requires all other Government Entities to establish individual targets for reducing energy, water, and transportation fuel consumptions within their operations and facilities, aiming for a similar level of effectiveness. These reductions in consumptions can be the result of building retrofits and/or through implementation of energy management systems such as ISO 50001. ISO 50001 requires establishing and implementing procurement criteria for evaluating the energy performance of products, services and contracting works, which impact the organization's overall energy performance. ISO 50001 also mandates companies to inform their suppliers of these procurement criteria, and to define and communicate particular specifications where applicable.



The GPP Guidelines support Government Entities in their efforts to lower their energy and water consumption by ensuring that purchased products are energy and water efficient. In addition, the GPP Guidelines are compliant with ISO 50001 procurement requirements.

Efficient Vehicles

Amiri Resolution No. 34 of 2018 mandates at least 30% of light vehicles purchased by local government departments to be efficient and at least 10% to be either hybrid or electric. Any vehicle with a GSO rating of 'Good' or above is considered efficient.



The GPP Guidelines set criteria for the purchase and rental of light vehicles, which meet or exceed the requirements of the Amiri Resolution No. 34 of 2018.

Recycled Materials

Ministerial Decision No. 21 by the Ministry of Climate Change and Environment (MOCCAE) encourages Government Entities to use recycled materials for public road works and infrastructure projects. The percentage of recycled material, however, should not exceed 40%.



The GPP Guidelines encourage the use of recycled materials in construction works and further enhance awareness on this topic.

Prohibition of Single-Use Plastics

Law No.4 of 2023 prohibits bringing, possessing, trading, selling or using single-use plastic materials in the emirate. This prohibition is being implemented in a phased manner, to allow residents and businesses in the Emirate to adapt to the change.

The GPP Guidelines promote the reduction of single-use plastics in Ras Al Khaimah.

Development of Local Supply Capacity

UAE Cabinet Resolution No.4 of 2019 allows up to 10% price advantage given in procurement of the UAE federal government for green goods and services which are produced in the country.



The GPP Guidelines promote the development of local supply capacity through requirements of minimum local sourcing in GPP Criteria for products, services and contracting works, and through a point system rewarding suppliers who can prove sustainability in their operations and supply chains.

DIVISION FOUR Implementation Framework 401 GPP in the Procurement Process

The main steps of the procurement process are highlighted in Figure 5. The subsequent sections detail how GPP can be taken into account in each of those steps.



Figure 4. Typical Procurement Process

Procurement Planning

The first step in the procurement process is to analyse the procurement needs, identify the desired procurement outcomes and objectives and plan the procurement budget. GPP should already be considered in these early stages of procurement, and the procurement of environmentally friendly products can be set as a key objective. Also, the procurement of products and services from environmentally friendly companies can be considered at this stage. Government Entities can also entirely 're-think' their procurement need and identify new ways which meet their demand but require less or different purchases. By procuring less or differently, fewer materials and resources are depleted, with economic and environmental benefits for the Government Entity. Examples of such GPP Initiatives are provided in Chapter 501.



To ensure that GPP is being considered in procurement planning, Government Entities shall develop annual targets for the implementation of GPP, as mandated by the Resolution. This target definition process is further detailed in Chapter 402.

Requirement Definition

In the next step of the procurement process, technical specifications, terms of reference for services, or statement of works for contracting works (all of which are hereinafter referred to as 'specifications') are developed which are part of the solicitation documents and form the core of the future contract. These specifications need to include clear and appropriate definitions and descriptions of the procurement need, while avoiding any bias towards specific suppliers. GPP entails integration of environmental aspects into the specifications. The selection of the most important environmental aspects to be considered is a result of LCC consideration. As the effort to conduct LCC analysis is typically only justified for high-value items or projects, the GPP Guidelines simplify such evaluation for buyers by defining GPP Criteria for common categories of spend, which are designed considering LCC.



GPP Criteria are designed for commonly purchased categories of products, services and contracting works, which can be included in tenders as specifications. The GPP Criteria are provided in Annex A and Annex B. The decision to adopt the GPP Criteria in individual purchases is left to the discretion of the concerned Government Entity. However, adoption of the GPP Criteria on a cumulative basis will concur to determining the overall progress of the entities towards their annual green procurement targets.

Solicitation Process

At the sourcing stage, suitable suppliers need to be identified. Another task is to select the appropriate procurement strategy, e.g. to choose the type of competition and to select the solicitation and evaluation method. Once the procurement strategy is selected, the solicitation documents are prepared accordingly and issued.



The Resolution, as well as these GPP Guidelines do not impose or recommend any changes to the current solicitation process and Government Entities can continue to follow the standard procurement procedures.

Evaluation

After the solicitation process, the received offers are handled as per the instructions provided in the solicitation documents and as per the Government Entity's rules and procedures pertaining to the opening and evaluation of offers. Through this process, Government Entities evaluate suppliers' offers technically and commercially and select the best offer based on predefined evaluation criteria.

The Resolution does not impose any changes in the evaluation process or method. In case GPP Criteria were included in the specifications, bids should be evaluated for compliance with such criteria and non-compliant bids must be excluded. For other purchases that are not supported by GPP Criteria, application of GPP requires the financial evaluation to include not only purchase price but broader elements of LCC.

In addition to the above, and for adoption on a voluntary basis, these GPP Guidelines recommend, in tender evaluation, the consideration of extra points to be given to those suppliers adopting and implementing green practices as provided in Annex C. The proposed method is subject to a pilot phase of 1 year from the date of issuance of these GPP Guidelines.

Tender Award

During this stage, the tenders with the highest total score will be awarded. Once the tender is awarded, and the purchase is confirmed to the selected supplier, unsuccessful suppliers are generally notified and debriefed. This is an opportunity to highlight any deficiencies related to the environmental criteria, enabling unsuccessful suppliers to respond better to future solicitations. For the selected supplier, any environmental results should be measured against the outcome that was initially desired. Any lessons learnt should feed back into procurement planning.



The Resolution and these GPP Guidelines do not impose or recommend any changes to the current tender award process and Government Entities can continue to follow the standard procurement procedures. In case GPP Criteria for products, services or contracting works were included in the specifications, these should be inserted into the contract or purchase order to serve as proof of obligation of the supplier. Upon delivery, Government Entities should also monitor whether the GPP Criteria are being fulfilled, and should incorporate any lessons learnt in their procurement planning process.

402 Governance of the GPP

As the opportunity to apply GPP is different for each Government Entity based on the type of products and services they buy, their strategic priorities, their business requirements and financial constraints, governance of GPP is designed to promote participation of all Government Entities, while allowing each of them to define breadth and depth of participation.

GPP implementation is overseen by the EE&R Committee. The following roles and responsibilities are defined to support the GPP process:

EE&R Committee:	The EE&R Committee reviews and endorses any amendments in the GPP Guidelines, reviews the progress of implementing GPP and nominates the GPP Category Leaders and Initiative Leaders. The Chairman of the EE&R Committee issues any updates of the GPP Guidelines.
GPP Administrator:	The GPP Administrator promotes GPP implementation across a set of Government Entities, supervises the targeting and reporting process, and pursues continuous improvement of GPP practices, including any proposals for update of the GPP Guidelines.
GPP Category Leaders:	The GPP Category Leaders are responsible for developing and periodically updating the GPP Criteria of their assigned categories products, services and contracting works, subject to the endorsement of the EE&R Committee.
GPP Initiative Leaders:	The GPP Initiative Leaders are responsible for developing their assigned GPP Initiatives, subject to the endorsement of the EE&R Committee, and coordinating their implementation.
Green Procurement Champions (GPCs):	The GPCs hold the mandate to promote and coordinate adoption of the GPP Guidelines by his or her respective Government Entity. This role includes, <i>inter alia</i> , driving the GPP targeting and reporting process, raising GPP awareness, and training purchasing professionals within the Government Entity.
Reem:	The Energy Efficiency and Renewables Sector of Ras Al Khaimah Municipality (Reem), as part of the Resolution, shall provide all the needed support to ensure successful implementation of GPP within the government. This includes, <i>inter alia</i> , training on GPP, advisory to Government Entities in the targeting and reporting process, consolidation of reporting to the EE&R Committee, proposals for and development of any updates to the

guidelines, provision of platforms for sharing of data and best practices, coordination of improvement projects that have cross-entity relevance, and market awareness.

Government Entities are required to define their own targets of adoption of GPP and report on progress of implementation yearly to the GPP Administrator. Commitment to GPP should be supported by an internal GPP policy. Government Entities are encouraged to propose any improvements in common tools and frameworks related to GPP, including any updates of the GPP Guidelines.

These roles are the key agents in the GPP process as explained below.

Target Definition

Each Government Entity shall develop annual targets for the implementation of the GPP Guidelines and communicate those targets to the GPP Administrator before the beginning of each year. This process should be embedded into the Government Entity's overall planning process. Targets may include:

1. GPP Initiatives

 Progress of GPP Initiatives: Government Entities may specify targets related to the adoption of GPP Initiatives within their organization. Examples of such initiatives are provided in Chapter 501.

2. Penetration of GPP

- Overall penetration of GPP: Government Entities may specify a share of the overall procurement, either by value or by number of contracts, to comply with the GPP Guidelines, e.g. at least half of all purchases shall adhere to the Core Criteria for products, services and contracting works set out in the GPP Guidelines.
- Penetration of GPP in specific types of products or services and contracting works: Government Entities may specify targets for specific product or service and contracting work categories, e.g. all purchased paper shall comply with the criteria outlined in the GPP Guidelines.
- Penetration of the point system: Government Entities may specify a minimum share of procurement where the point system will be applied, e.g., the point system should be applied to at least 10% of tender evaluations above 500,000 AED.

The GPP Administrator may provide guidance for the definition of targets to ensure that they remain in line with expectations for the government of Ras Al Khaimah overall.

GPP Policy

Each Government Entity should issue an internal GPP policy within their organization to facilitate the adoption of GPP Guidelines in the Government.

Progress Reporting

Government Entities shall report their progress in the implementation of the GPP Guidelines to the GPP Administrator on a yearly basis. The progress report should compare the level of achievement with targets and outline mitigation measures if necessary. Templates for the target definition and progress reporting are provided in Annex F. Upon review of the GPP Administrator, reports should be shared with Reem, who consolidates the reporting to the EE&R Committee.

Development and Update of the GPP Criteria

For Products, Services and Contracting Works: The GPP Administrator, in consultation with Reem, periodically reviews the GPP Criteria and may propose to the EE&R Committee the development of criteria for new categories or the update of existing ones. This review should be conducted at least every three years. The EE&R Committee appoints selected Government Entities as GPP Category Leaders responsible for developing and periodically updating the criteria for their assigned categories.

The GPP Category Leaders, in consultation with Reem, should develop or update the GPP Criteria taking into account their financial impact, product or service availability, and impact on the local market. The proposed criteria should be submitted to the EE&R Committee for endorsement, prior to review and issuance by the Chairman of the EE&R Committee. The list of GPP Category Leaders is provided in Annex E.

For Tender Evaluation: The GPP Administrator, in consultation with Reem, reviews the results of the point system pilot and evaluates the need of any updates, as well as readiness for a full-scale roll-out, to be endorsed by the EE&R Committee.

Development of GPP Initiatives

The GPP Administrator, in consultation with Reem, may propose the development or update of GPP Initiatives that are of cross-entity relevance. As a result,, the EE&R Committee may appoint selected Government Entities as GPP Initiative Leaders, who are responsible for developing and coordinating implementation of assigned GPP Initiatives.

Update of GPP Guidelines

The EE&R Committee should review and if necessary, initiate an update of the GPP Guidelines at least every three years. The updated GPP Guidelines are drafted by Reem, who submits the same for endorsement to the EE&R Committee, prior to review and issuance by the Chairman of the EE&R Committee.

DIVISION FOUR: Implementation Framework

Ras Al Khaimah Green Public Procurement Guidelines

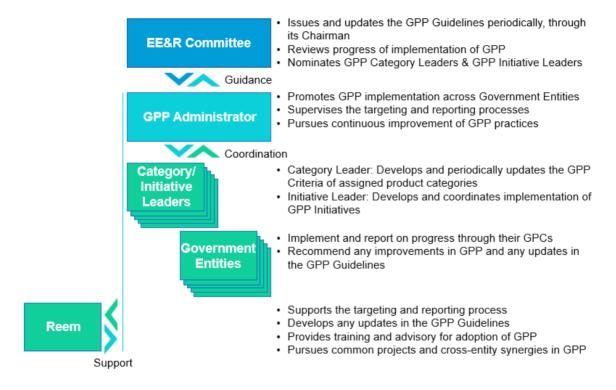


Figure 5. Governance of GPP

403 Roadmap

The roadmap for GPP implementation is illustrated in Figure 6.

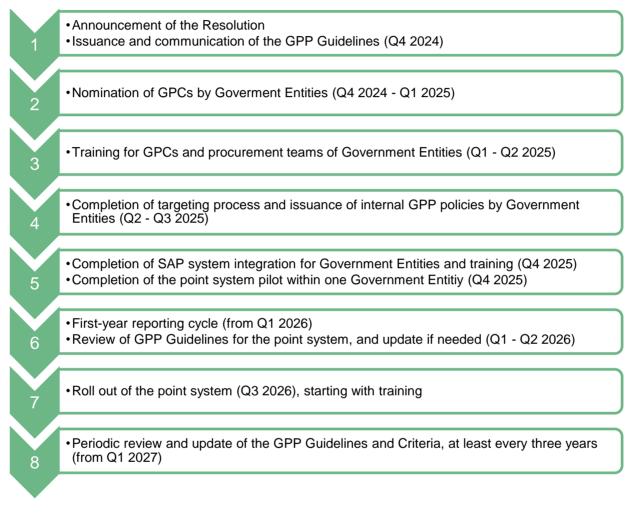


Figure 6. Roadmap for GPP Implementation

DIVISION FIVE Scope of the GPP Guidelines

The GPP Guidelines are only applicable to newly procured products, services and contracting works and do not affect any products that are already in use or any on-going service or contracting work agreements.

501 GPP Initiatives

GPP Initiatives aim to either avoid unnecessary purchases or to improve operational aspects related to GPP processes or capacity building, such as the training of purchase professionals.

Illustrative examples of GPP Initiatives that may be implemented include:

- 1. Implement a paperless system and thus spend less money on purchasing paper.
- 2. Avoid single use plastics, therefore diverting purchases towards items that have lower environmental impact, while also achieving cost benefits.
- Introduce working from home policies and video conferencing to reduce GHG emissions associated with commuting, lower the organization's fuel bills and reduce the amount of vehicles that need to be procured.

As part of the annual planning process, Government Entities should assess their procurement needs and identify opportunities for GPP initiatives. The GPP Initiative Leaders are listed in Annex D.

502 GPP Criteria

502.01 Criteria for Products, Services and Contracting Works

For ease of implementation in typical procurement activities and tools (e.g., purchase requisitions, tenders, purchase orders), the GPP Guidelines define GPP Criteria in the form of minimum specifications for commonly purchased products, services and contracting works. The GPP Criteria are organized in two levels: Core Criteria and Comprehensive Criteria.

Core Criteria

Core Criteria address key environmental impacts, with a primary focus on energy and water consumption. The Core Criteria can be used by Government Entities with minimal verification effort, and they are designed to have a positive impact on the LCC through, for example, lower energy and water consumption, lower maintenance costs, and/or lower cost of disposal.

Compliance with the Core Criteria for products, services and contracting works is seen as a minimum for a purchase to comply with the GPP Guidelines, for all targeting and reporting requirements outlined in the GPP Guidelines.

Comprehensive Criteria

The Comprehensive Criteria address broader and more challenging environmental objectives, which may not be fully justified by a lower LCC and may lead to a more significant impact on purchase cost. The Comprehensive Criteria are intended for Government Entities who, under exceptional circumstances, want to go further in supporting environmental goals, for example on the occasion of special projects.

The following products, services and contracting works are examples of purchase categories for which GPP Criteria are developed:

Products

- Paper
- Light Vehicles
- Lights
- Furniture
- Air Conditioners (ACs)
- Household Appliances
- Water Fixtures and Fitting
- IT Equipment
- Cleaning Products
- Carpets

Services and Contracting Works

- Building Design and Construction
- Solar Projects
- Retrofit Projects

Annex A includes the criteria, both core and comprehensive, for the covered products while Annex B details the criteria for the covered services and contracting works. The program of works for the GPP Criteria is detailed in Annex E.

For the purchase of products, services or contracting works which are not covered in either Annex A or Annex B, Government Entities may consider environmental aspects based on an LCC approach.

502.02 Criteria for Tender Evaluation

The GPP Guidelines define GPP Criteria for tender evaluation, which foresee a maximum number of extra points that Government Entities may assign in tender evaluations in case the supplier can prove efforts in reducing the environmental impacts of their operations and their supply chain and delivering value in the emirate. The GPP Criteria for tender evaluation are organized in two levels: Core Criteria and Comprehensive Criteria.

Core Criteria

Core Criteria address large tenders and recommend a relatively limited maximum number of extra points. When GPP Criteria for products, services and contracting works are not available, the use of Core Criteria for Tender Evaluation is considered sufficient for a purchase to comply with the GPP Guidelines, for all targeting and reporting requirements outlined in the GPP Guidelines.

Comprehensive Criteria

Comprehensive Criteria assign more relevance to the dimensions of environmental impact and value in the emirate, by extending the application of the point system to smaller tenders and recommending a higher maximum number of extra points than the Core Criteria.

Annex C includes the GPP Criteria for tender evaluation, both core and comprehensive.

ANNEX A GPP Criteria for Products

	Copying and Graphic Paper (Category Code - A)	
Scope	This category includes standards for the purchase of copying and graphic paper. This includes unprinted paper for writing, printing and copying purposes sold in sheets or reels. Finished paper products such as notebooks, calendars, flyers etc. are not included.	
Key Environmental Impacts	 Forest destruction and potential loss of biodiversity Emissions to the air and water during pulp and paper production High energy and water consumption during paper production Chemical consumption during paper production Waste generation during paper production 	
Recommended Green Specifications		
Core GPP Criteria		
Paper must be purchased from suppliers with a valid supply contract.		
Paper must be certified by FSC (Forest Stewardship Council), PEFC (Program for the Endorsement of Forest Certification) or by other equivalent sustainable forest management standard organizations, and/or must include some recovered paper fibers.		
Recovered paper fibers include both post-consumer and pre-consumer recycled fibers.		
Comprehensive GPP Criteria		
Paper must be purchased from suppliers with a valid supply contract.		
Paper shall be made from 100% recovered paper fibers.		

Recovered paper fibers include both post-consumer and pre-consumer recycled fibers.

Paper shall be Elementary Chlorine Free (ECF) or Totally Chlorine Free (TCF).

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	Light Vehicles (Category Code – B)	
Scope	This category includes standards for light vehicles, which are purchased, leased or rented. Light vehicles are vehicles with a gross weight less than 3,500 kg, including SUVs and pick-up trucks. Special-purpose vehicles such as armored vehicles are excluded from the scope of this category.	
Key Environmental Impacts	 Greenhouse and air pollutant emissions during use of the vehicles, and along the supply chain Environmental impacts resulting from the manufacturing of batteries for electric vehicles 	
	Recommended Green Specifications	
	Core GPP Criteria	
Light vehicles must o	comply with ESMA fuel economy ratings indicated in the table below.	
Light Vehicle Economy Sec Premium Sec Pick-ups Economy SU Premium SU	lan Excellent lan Excellent Good Vs Very good	
Light vehicles must be equipped with a mechanism to display fuel consumption figures to the driver.		
The battery of electr	ic vehicles must have a warranty for at least 150,000km or 5 years, whichever etention of 70% or more of its rated electricity storage capacity.	
	Comprehensive GPP Criteria	
be hybrid or zero-em	comply with ESMA fuel economy ratings indicated in the table below or should ission vehicles. les include electric and hydrogen fuel cell vehicles.	
Light Vehicle T Economy Sec Premium Sec Pick-ups Economy SU Premium SU	Economy Rating Ian Excellent Ian Excellent Vs Excellent	
Light vehicles must b	be equipped with a mechanism to display fuel consumption figures to the driver.	
	ic vehicles must have a warranty for at least 150,000km or 5 years, whichever etention of 70% or more of its rated electricity storage capacity.	
Cars shall not be rep	laced before 400,000km of mileage or seven years, whatever comes first.	

Indeer Lighting (Cotogony Code C)		
	Indoor Lighting (Category Code - C)	
Scope	 This category includes standards for indoor lighting, which are installed inside a building. The following specialist lighting types are excluded from the scope: Coloured lighting Display lighting for museum and art galleries Emergency escape lighting Illuminated signs Lighting fixed to machinery or equipment Lighting for plant growth Lighting for televised sports Lighting for visually impaired persons Lighting of monuments or historic buildings Specialist medical lighting 	
Key Environmental Impacts	 Greenhouse gas emissions as a result of the electricity consumption during use of lighting Mercury emissions to the air, soil and water Generation of waste, both hazardous and non-hazardous 	
	Recommended Green Specifications	
Core GPP Criteria		
	er LED or otherwise minimum ESMA 4 star rated. Preference shall be given to hnically feasible. Mercury vapour and incandescent lights of any type, including banned.	
If lights are procured for an entire building, the lighting power density shall not exceed the following		

If lights are procured for an entire building, the lighting power density shall not exceed the following values:

Building Type	Lighting Power Density (W/m²)
Office	6.7
Educational Facility	7.1
Manufacturing Facility	9.2
Retail (outlet/mall)	12.4
Workshop	10.1
Warehouse	6.2
Labour Accommodation	5.6

Compliance shall be demonstrated through a calculation by the lighting designer showing the total power consumed by the lighting, including lamps, ballast, sensors and controls, divided by the building's total gross floor area.

If lights are procured for an individual space, the lighting power density shall not exceed the following values:

Space Type	Lighting Power Density (W/m ²)
Conference/Meeting Room	5.9
Corridor & Lobby	3.9
Office	9.8
Interior Parking	2.0
Audience Seating Area:	
- Auditorium	5.9
- Convention Center	3.9
- Gymnasium	3.9

Compliance shall be demonstrated through a calculation by the lighting designer showing the total power consumed by the lighting, including lamps, ballast, sensors and controls, divided by the gross floor area of the indoor spaces.

For all new construction or renovation works, the following lighting controls must be provided: - Occupant lighting controls in regularly occupied spaces, such as individual office rooms, which allow occupants to switch the lights on and off

The mercury content shall not exceed the following values:

Lighting Type	Mercury Content (mg/lamp)
Metal halide	≤ 10 mg
High pressure sodium	≤ 10 mg
CFL/fluorescent tubes	≤ 3 mg
LED	no mercury content

Lights must have a minimum lifespan as per the table below:

Lighting Type Minimum Lifespan (operating hou		
Metal halide	8,000 hours	
High pressure sodium 8,000 hours		
CFL/fluorescent tubes	6,000 hours	
LED	35,000 hours	

Comprehensive GPP Criteria

Lights must be either LED or ESMA 5 star rated. Preference is to be given to LED light, where technically feasible. Mercury vapour and incandescent lights of any type, including halogen lamps, are banned.

If lights are procured for an entire building, the lighting power density shall not exceed the following values:

Building Type	Lighting Power Density
Office	3.8
Educational Facility	4.0
Manufacturing Facility	5.2
Retail (outlet/mall)	7.1
Workshop	5.7
Warehouse	3.5
Labour Accommodation	3.2

Compliance shall be demonstrated through a calculation by the lighting designer showing the total power consumed by the lighting, including lamps, ballast, sensors and controls, divided by the building's total gross floor area.

If lights are procured for an individual space, the lighting power density shall not exceed the following values:

Space Type	Lighting Power Density
Conference/Meeting Room	3.3
Corridor & Lobby	2.2
Office	5.6
Interior Parking	1.1
Audience Seating Area:	
- Auditorium	3.3
 Convention Center 	2.2
- Gymnasium	2.2

Compliance shall be demonstrated through a calculation by the lighting designer showing the total power consumed by the lighting, including lamps, ballast, sensors and controls, divided by the gross floor area of the indoor spaces.

For all new construction or renovation works, the following lighting controls must be provided:

- Occupancy sensors for common areas which are not regularly occupied, such as corridors and lobbies, which reduce the lighting level to no more than 25% of normal when unoccupied
- Occupant lighting controls and daylight sensors in regularly occupied spaces, such as individual office rooms, which allow occupants to switch the lights on and off

Lights shall be procured from suppliers which are based in Ras Al Khaimah.

The mercury content shall not exceed the following values:

Lighting Type	Mercury Content (mg/lamp)
Metal halide	≤ 5 mg
High pressure sodium	≤ 5 mg
CFL/fluorescent tubes	≤ 1.5 mg
LED	no mercury content

Lights shall have a minimum lifespan as per the table below:

Lighting Type	Minimum Lifespan (operating hours)
Metal halide	16,000 hours
High pressure sodium	16,000 hours
CFL/fluorescent tubes 10,000 hours	
LED	50,000 hours

	Furniture (Category Code - D)
Scope	This category includes standards for furniture whose primary function is to be used for storage, placement or hanging of items or to provide surfaces where users can rest, sit, eat, study or work. This includes for example chairs, sofas, partition screens, filing cabinets, workstation panels. Bed mattresses, fences, railing, ladders, playground equipment and furniture
	fitted into vehicles are excluded from the scope of this category.
Key Environmental Impacts	 Forest destruction and potential loss of biodiversity Emissions to the air and water during the furniture production Health risk due to the release of toxic substances such as Organic Volatile Compounds (VOCs) Waste of material due to premature end-of-life of sub-standard quality furniture
	Recommended Green Specifications
	Core GPP Criteria
The tenderer shall provide a minimum warranty of three years effective from the day of delivery of the product. The warranty shall cover repair or replacement.	
	Comprehensive GPP Criteria
The tenderer shall provide a minimum warranty of three years effective from the day of delivery of the product. The warranty shall cover repair or replacement.	
All virgin timber used in furniture must be certified by FSC (Forest Stewardship Council), PEFC (Program for the Endorsement of Forest Certification) or by other equivalent sustainable forest management standard organizations.	
A minimum of 30% of	the timber used in furniture shall be from recycled wood.
 The formaldehyde emissions shall be limited to: MDF board: release ≤ 8mg/100g (by test method EN120) Plywood, solid wood/other panels: release ≤ 4mg/100g of free formaldehyde content (by test method EN120) or release ≤ 0.124mg/m³ (by test method EN717-1) 	
 Arsenic Cadmium Lead Mercury Phthalates 	contain any heavy metal elements or compounds as listed below: organic substances

Halogenated organic substances

	Air-Conditioners (Category Code - E)						
Scope		This category includes standards for electrically operated unit air conditioners (ACs).					
		Chilling packages and heat pumps are excluded from the scope of this category.					
	Environmental Impacts		 Primary energy consumption and associated greenhouse gas emissions during use of ACs Release of ozone depleting gases which also contribute to global warming 				
		Reco	mmended Green	Specifications			
			Core GPP C	riteria			
Non-ducted sp	olit ACs	shall, at a mir	nimum, be ESMA	4 star rated.			
Ducted split A requirements I			ow.		ly with the energy ef	fficiency	
			Minimum Efficie	ency Full Load			
Equipment Type	Rated (kW a	d Capacity at T3)	EER (Btu/h/W at T3)	COP (at T3)	Rating Conditions		
		RC < 40	9.11	2.67			
Ducted	40 ≤	🕯 RC < 70	8.87	2.60	_		
split AC		RC < 223	8.43	2.47	Tested as per		
	:	223 ≤ RC	8.09	2.37	ESMA standard		
		RC < 40	8.10	2.37	no. UAE.S ISO 13253:2011		
Packaged	-	RC < 70	7.90	2.32	15255.2011		
AC unit		RC < 223	7.50	2.20	-		
		223 ≤ RC	7.20	2.11			
The purchase	The purchase of window ACs must be avoided.						
or with Global	All AC equipment and systems must contain refrigerants with zero Ozone Depletion Potential (ODP) or with Global Warming Potential (GWP) less than 100. All CFCs and HCFC-22 do not comply with the ODP and GWP limits and cannot be used.						
 The following refrigerants comply with the ODP and GWP limits and can be used: HFCC-123 							
 HFC-23 HFC-134a 							
 HFC-134a HFC-245fa 							
• HFC-404A							
 HFC-407A HFC-410A 							
 HFC-410A HFC-507A 							
	• HFC-30/A						

- Carbon Dioxide (CO2)
- Ammonia (NH3)
- Propane

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Non-ducted split ACs shall, at a minimum, be ESMA 5 star rated.

Ducted split ACs and packaged units shall, at a minimum, comply with the energy efficiency requirements listed in the table below.

		Minimum Efficie		
Equipment Type	Rated Capacity (kW at T3)	EER (Btu/h/W at T3)	COP (at T3)	Rating Conditions
	RC < 40	9.65	2.83	
Ducted	40 ≤ RC < 70	9.40	2.75	Tested as per ESMA standard
split AC	70 ≤ RC < 223	8.93	2.62	
	223 ≤ RC	8.57	2.52	
	RC < 40	8.10	2.37	no. UAE.S ISO
Packaged AC unit	40 ≤ RC < 70	7.90	2.32	13253:2011
	70 ≤ RC < 223	7.50	2.20	
	223 ≤ RC	7.20	2.11	

ACs shall be equipped with an inverter.

The purchase of window ACs must be avoided.

All AC equipment and systems must contain refrigerants with zero Ozone Depletion Potential (ODP) or with Global Warming Potential (GWP) less than 100.

All CFCs and HCFC-22 do not comply with the ODP and GWP limits and cannot be used.

The following refrigerants comply with the ODP and GWP limits and can be used:

- HFCC-123
- HFC-23
- HFC-134a
- HFC-245fa
- HFC-404A
- HFC-407A
- HFC-410A
- HFC-507A
- Carbon Dioxide (CO2)
- Ammonia (NH3)
- Propane

	Household Appliances (Category Code - F)
Scope This category includes standards for household appliances and covers the following products: Dishwasher Washing machine Dryer Fridge Freezer TV 	
Key Environmental Impacts	 Primary energy consumption and associated greenhouse gas emissions during use Release of ozone depleting gases which also contribute to global warming, during use and disposal
	Recommended Green Specifications
	Core GPP Criteria
Household appliance	s shall, at a minimum, be ESMA 3 star rated.
	rs must contain refrigerants with zero Ozone Depletion Potential (ODP) or with ential (GWP) less than 100.
All CFCs and HCFC-	22 do not comply with the ODP and GWP limits and cannot be used.
The following refrigerants comply with the ODP and GWP limits and can be used: • HFCC-123 • HFC-23 • HFC-134a • HFC-245fa • HFC-404A • HFC-407A • HFC-410A • HFC-507A • Carbon Dioxide (CO2) • Ammonia (NH3) • Propane	
Comprehensive GPP Criteria	
All household appliances shall, at a minimum, be ESMA 5 star rated.	
All fridges and freezers must contain refrigerants with zero Ozone Depletion Potential (ODP) or with Global Warming Potential (GWP) less than 100.	
All CFCs and HCFC-22 do not comply with the ODP and GWP limits and cannot be used.	
 The following refrigerants comply with the ODP and GWP limits and can be used: HFCC-123 HFC-23 HFC 1342 	

• HFC-134a

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- HFC-245fa
- HFC-404A
- HFC-407A
- HFC-410A
- HFC-507A
- Carbon Dioxide (CO2)
- Ammonia (NH3)
- Propane

	Water Fixtures and Fittings (Category Code - G)	
Scope	 This category includes standards for water fixtures and fittings and covers the following products: Hand wash basin faucet Kitchen sink faucet Ablution faucet Toilet Urinal Shower head 	
Key Environmental Impact • Water consumption during usage		
Recommended Green Specifications		
Core GPP Criteria		

All water fixtures and fittings must meet the maximum allowable flush and flow rates specified in the table below.

Fixture Type	Maximum Flow or Flush Rate
Hand Wash Basin Faucets	1.9 litres per minute at 3 bar
Kitchen Sink Faucets	5 litres per minute at 3 bar
Ablution Faucets	6 litres per minute at 3 bar
Dual Flush Water Closets	4.5 litres full flush 3 litres part flush
Urinals	1 litre per flush
Shower Heads	8 litres per minute at 3 bar

Comprehensive GPP Criteria

All water fixtures and fittings must meet the maximum allowable flush and flow rates specified in the table below.

Fixture Type	Maximum Flow or Flush Rate
Hand Wash Basin Faucets	1.5 litres per minute at 3 bar
Kitchen Sink Faucets	4 litres per minute at 3 bar
Ablution Faucets	6 litres per minute at 3 bar
Dual Flush Water Closets	3.5 litres full flush 2.5 litres part flush
Urinals	Waterless urinals
Shower Heads	6 litres per minute at 3 bar

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	IT Equipment (Cat	egory Code - H)	
Scope	Scope This category includes standards for IT Equipment which includes the following products: Desktop computer Small workstation Computer monitor Laptop All-in-one multifunctional device for copying, printing and fax 		
Key Environmental Impacts	 Energy consumption particularly during use Consumption of finite resources and critical raw materials to produce IT products Generation of potentially hazardous waste electronic equipment upon disposal 		
	Recommended Gre	en Specifications	
	Core GPP	Criteria	
monitors and small w	orkstations and a minimum	of three years for laptops, desktops, computer warranty of one year for multifunctional devices shall cover replacement or repair.	
The product shall con	nply with international power of	consumption standards such as Energy Star.	
The product shall com	nply with maximum energy co	nsumption thresholds outlined in the table below.	
Product Type	Sleep Mode	Off Mode	
Desktop Computer	1.1W	0.3W	
Monitor	0.9W	0.3W	
Laptop	1.5W	0.3W	
All-in-one multifuncti device	onal 2.4W	0.8W	
Comprehensive GPP Criteria			
The tenderer shall provide a minimum warranty of three years for laptops, desktops, computer monitors, small workstations, and for multifunctional devices effective from delivery of the product. The warranty shall cover replacement or repair. The product shall comply with international power consumption standard such as Energy Star. The product shall comply with maximum energy consumption thresholds outlined in the table below.			
Product Type Sleep Mode Off Mode			
Desktop Computer	1.1W	0.3W	
Monitor	0.9W	0.3W	
Laptop	1.5W	0.3W	
All-in-one multifuncti device		0.8W	
		red into portable products. It shall be possible for place the rechargeable battery.	

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	Cleaning Products (Category Code - I)		
Scope	e This category includes standards for cleaning products, excluding products which are used for disinfection and sanitisation purposes.		
Key Environmental Impacts	onmental environment		
Recommended Green Specifications			
Comprehensive GPP Criteria			
Cleaning products must have an ecolabel, such as EU Ecolabel, Green Seal or equivalent, or must be based on organic ingredients.			

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Carpeting (Category Code - J)			
Scope	This category includes standards for carpets		
Key Environmental Impacts	 Release of chemicals which are harmful for humans and the environment Raw material consumption 		
Recommended Green Specifications			
	Core GPP Criteria		
Carpets shall use low-VOC adhesives with 50g of VOC per litre of adhesive or less, or be installed using hook fastener systems which do not required adhesive.			
Comprehensive GPP Criteria			
Carpets shall use low-VOC adhesives with 50g of VOC per litre of adhesive or less, or be installed using hook fastener systems which do not required adhesive.			
Carpets shall have an ecolabel, such as Green Label Plus, Greenguard or equivalent, or shall be made from wool instead of synthetic fibers.			

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ANNEX B GPP Criteria for Services and Contracting Works

Retrofit Projects (Category Code - K)		
Scope	Cope This category includes standards for retrofitting of existing buildings.	
Key Environmental Impacts	 High energy and water consumption during the building operation Depletion of natural resources and greenhouse gas emissions associated with the manufacturing and transportation of building materials 	
	Recommended Green Specifications	
	Core GPP Criteria.	
Energy Service Com	panies (ESCOs) shall be accredited with Ras Al Khaimah Municipality.	
5% of the retrofit con	tract value must be sourced locally within the Emirate of Ras Al Khaimah.	
This may include locally sourced equipment, products and materials, and/or locally-sourced expenditure, subcontracts or man-hours for system design, installation, testing, commissioning, project management, operation & maintenance (O&M) and/or measurement, monitoring and verification (MMV).		
The building shall allow for real time monitoring of energy and water consumption.		
Comprehensive GPP Criteria		
Energy Service Companies (ESCOs) shall be accredited with Ras Al Khaimah Municipality.		
30% of the retrofit contract value must be sourced locally within the Emirate of Ras Al Khaimah.		
This may include locally sourced equipment, products and materials, and/or locally-sourced expenditure, subcontracts or man-hours for system design, installation, testing, commissioning, project management, operation & maintenance (O&M) and/or measurement, monitoring and verification (MMV).		
 The retrofitting works shall include passive measures such as: Insulation of walls and roofs Higher efficient windows with double or triple glazing Improvement of air tightness 		

- Shading devices
- Light colour paints or highly reflective paints for walls and roofs
- Window tinting / low heat gain films

Buildings should be retrofitted to nearly zero energy buildings (nZEB) with a calculated energy use intensity of less than 90 kWh/m²/year.

Where feasible, it is encouraged to go beyond the nZEB standard and retrofit buildings to zero energy buildings. Zero energy buildings generate 100% of their energy needs on-site and thus have a calculated energy use intensity of 0 kWh/m²/year.

The building shall allow for real time monitoring of energy and water consumption.

Scope This category includes standards for design and construction of new buildings. Environmental Impacts • High energy and water consumption during the building operation • Depletion of natural resources and greenhouse gas emissions associated with the manufacturing and transportation of building materials Core GPP Criteria New buildings shall comply with Barjeel, the Green Building Regulations of Ras Al Khaimah issued by Ras Al Khaimah Municipality. 30% of the building design and construction contract must be sourced locally within the Emirate of Ras Al Khaimah. This may include locally sourced products and materials, and/or locally-sourced expenditure, subcontracts or man-hours for the building design, testing and commissioning, construction and/or site supervision. Contractors shall provide a construction environmental management plan (CEMP). The building shall allow for real time monitoring of energy and water consumption. Comprehensive GPP Criteria New buildings shall comply with Barjeel, the Green Building Regulations of Ras Al Khaimah issued by Ras Al Khaimah Municipality. Buildings shall be designed as nearly zero energy buildings (nZEB) with a calculated energy use intensity of less than 90 kWh/m²/year. Where feasible, it is encouraged to go beyond the nZEB standard and design buildings as zero energy buildings. Zero energy buildings generate 100% of their energy needs on-site and thus have a calculated energy use intensity of 0 kWh/m²/year. 70% of the building design and construction contract mus	Building Design and Construction (Category Code - L)			
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	Contractors shall have an ISO 14001 certified environmental management system.			
The building shall achieve the highest possible green building rating, such as LEED Platinum	The building shall allow for real time monitoring of energy and water consumption.			
BREEAM Outstanding, Estidama 5 Pearl or equivalent.				

ANNEX B: GPP Criteria for Services and Contracting Works

Ras Al Khaimah Green Public Procurement Guidelines

Solar Projects (Category Code - M)		
Scope	This category includes standards for solar PV projects.	
Key Environmental Impacts	 Use of hazardous materials in manufacturing Waste generation from decommissioning of PV panels 	
	Recommended Green Specifications	
	Core GPP Criteria	
Solar panels shall ac	hieve at least an average efficiency of 18%.	
5% of the solar contr	act value must be sourced locally within the Emirate of Ras Al Khaimah.	
This may include locally sourced equipment, products and materials, and/or locally-sourced expenditure, subcontracts or man-hours for system design, project management, installation, testing, commissioning, and operation & maintenance (O&M).		
The solar panel manufacturer shall provide a warranty that the actual power output after 25 years shall not be less than 70% of the initial nominal output.		
Comprehensive GPP Criteria		
Solar panels shall achieve at least an average efficiency of 20%.		
40% of the solar contract value must be sourced locally within the Emirate of Ras Al Khaimah.		
This may include locally sourced equipment, products and materials, and/or locally-sourced expenditure, subcontracts or man-hours for system design, project management, installation, testing, commissioning, and operation & maintenance (O&M).		
The solar panel manufacturer shall provide a warranty that the actual power output after 25 years shall not be less than 75% of the initial nominal output.		
Solar panels shall be N-type solar panels.		
Contractor shall provide a recycling plan for PV panels.		
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ANNEX C GPP Criteria for Tender Evaluation

Point System for Tender Evaluation

The following point system allows suppliers who fulfil certain criteria in their operations and supply chain to achieve extra points in tender evaluation. Extra points are expressed in maximum % score applicable to each evaluation dimension applicable to various types of evaluation methods, such as the lowest price technically compliant method or the most economically advantageous tender (MEAT). Suppliers may have more than one way to achieve extra points in each dimension, as long as sufficient evidence is provided.

Core Criteria					
Application Tenders above 500k AED					
A maximum total of 5% additional points in the evaluation score of a tender can be provided according to the following criteria:					

Sub- dimensions	Practices worthy of award	Required evidence		Points (% max)	
		Environmental impact			
Energy and water	Efforts in reducing energy	ISO 50001 certification (third-party certification)	0.5	0.5	2.5
	and water	LEED certification (third-party certification)	0.5		
	consumption	Reduction in energy and water consumption (self-declaration)	0.5		
		Energy audit report (third-party certification)	0.2		
Other GHG emissions	Efforts in reducing emissions	Carbon Neutral Certification (third-party certification)	0.5	0.5	
Waste	Resource circularity	Recycled content in the company's total production (self-declaration)	0.5	0.5	
Environment	Efforts to limit	Eco-Label certification (EPDA) or equivalent	0.5	0.5	
	pollution and preserve eco- systems	ISO 14001 certification (third-party certification)	0.2		
Sustainable supply chain	Sustainable operations	ISO 20400 certification: Sustainable Procurement (third-party certification)	0.2	0.5	
	promoted within	ESG rating (third-party certification)	0.5		

Annex C: GPP Initiatives

Ras Al Khaimah Green Public Procurement Guidelines

	the company's supply chain				
	1	Value in the emirate	1	T	-
Supplier in RAK	Company in Ras Al Khaimah	Company licensed in RAK (trade license)	0.3	0.3	2.5
Manufacturing in RAK	Significant manufacturing investments in RAK	No. of employees in manufacturing operations in Ras Al Khaimah (self- declaration)	1.2	1.2	
Emiratization in RAK company	Significant share of Emiratis in the workforce	Emiratization % (self declaration, in line with the method of ICV questionnaire from MOIAT)	1.0	1.0	
		Comprehensive Criteria			
Application		Tenders above 100k AED			
	of 10% additional p following criteria:	oints in the evaluation score of a tender can be			
Sub- dimensions	Practices worthy of award	Required evidence	Poir (% r	nts nax)	
		Environmental impact			
Energy and water	Efforts in reducing energy and water consumption	ISO 50001 certification (third-party certification) LEED certification (third-party certification) Reduction in energy and water consumption (self-declaration)	1 0.5 0.5	0.5	
		Energy audit report (third-party certification)	0.4		
Other GHG emissions	Efforts in reducing emissions	Carbon Neutral Certification (third-party certification)	1	1	
Waste	Resource circularity	Recycled content in the company's total production (self-declaration)	0.8	0.8	
Environment	Efforts to limit pollution and	Eco-Label certification (EPDA) or equivalent	1	1.5	
	preserve eco- systems	ISO 14001 certification (third-party certification)	0.5		
Sustainable supply chain	Sustainable operations	ISO 20400 certification: Sustainable Procurement (third-party certification)	0.5 1.0		
	promoted within the company's supply chain	ESG rating (third-party certification)	0.5		
	r	Value in the emirate	1	T	1
Supplier in RAK	Company in Ras Al Khaimah	Company licensed in RAK (trade license)	0.5	0.5	4
Manufacturing in RAK	Significant manufacturing investments in RAK	Noof employees in manufacturing operations in Ras Al Khaimah (self- declaration)	2.5	2.5	
Emiratization in RAK company	Significant share of Emiratis in the workforce	Emiratization % (self declaration, in line with the method of ICV questionnaire from MOIAT)	1	1	

ANNEX D GPP Initiatives

	Go Paperless				
Key Environmental Impacts	Use of paper results in deforestation and commercial monoculture forests for paper production, resulting in release of sequestered carbon, biodiversity loss and land degradation				
Ot	ojectives	Scope			
 Aspirational targets: 50% reduction in consumption of paper by 2026 70% reduction in consumption of paper by 2030 Use of paper for in-office printing Use of paper for own publications (magazines, marketing collaterals) 					
	Work	Plan			
 Work-stream 1: Reduce internal printing needs Making internal approval processes fully electronic (e.g., forms, purchase requests) Adopting paperless policies, establishing internal controls (e.g., paper budget, reporting, or IT controls on the printing equipment) 					
 Work-stream 2: Reduce printing needs for own publications Developing electronic formats and distribution methods (e.g., apps, mailing lists) Promoting adoption of non-printed formats with customers and other recipients Developing electronic business cards 					
 Work-stream 3: Reduce the need for printed letters Promoting the efficient use of electronic communication (e.g., Tarrish, emails) Studying applicability of emails for contractual notices Studying applicability of electronic signatures for employment contracts 					
 Work-stream 4: Reduce the need of paper for transactions (e.g., orders, invoices, receipts) Introducing electronic communication for customer transactions (e.g., invoices, receipts, permits, NOCs) 					

- Introducing electronic communication for supplier transactions (e.g., orders, receipts)
- Reducing the need of paper for employee transactions (e.g., petty cash, time and
- expenses, allowances)

Work-stream 5: Create awareness and educate employees about reducing paper use

- Conducting awareness and education sessions for all employees
- Applying posters and stickers near printing equipment to remind employees to reduce their paper consumption
- Organising paperless competitions among employees to recognize employees who have most reduced their paper consumption

Σ.	Single-Use Plastics No More				
Key Environment Impacts	Environmental may turn into micro-plastic particles, which are narmful for humans and				
	Objectives		Scope		
 Reduce consumption of single-use plastics in Government Entities Promote more responsible consumption in the emirate and leveraging governmental best practices 		 Plastic bags (excluding biodegradable garbage bags) Plastic bottles 			
	Targets 2026 (Government Entitie	Targets 2030 s) (Government Entities)	 Cutlery, cups and straws Packaging material Stationary (pens and 		
Plastic bags	100% reduction	100% reduction	pencils)		
Plastic bottles	100% reduction	100% reduction			
Cutlery, cups and straws	80% reduction	100% reduction			
Fresh food packaging material	80% reduction	100% reduction			
Industrial food packaging material	20% reduction	40% reduction			
Stationary	10% reduction	20% reduction			
		Work Plan			
 Identifying and procuring alternatives Defining the baseline and optimizing consumption Defining extent of adoption and exceptions, and deriving targets Training procurement staff Setting contracting guidelines for service providers, reducing consumption of single-use plastic through indirect spend (e.g., catering, food service) Educating employees Monitoring compliance Market awareness 					
	Responsibiliti	Recommended Timeline			
Green Procurement Initiative Leader:			 Full-scale implementation of the scope on plastic bags, plastic bottles, 		

- Support Green Procurement Champions in identifying and procuring alternatives and encourage centralized procurement of alternatives to single-use plastics
- Support common awareness activities among Government Entities
- Promote reduced consumption in the market
- Support the GPP Administrator in coordinating, monitoring and reporting progress of the Initiative

Green Procurement Champions:

- Implement the Initiative with support from the Green Procurement Initiative Leader
- Report progress to the GPP Administrator and the Initiative Leader

cutlery, cups and straws, fresh food packaging by 2026

 Full-scale implementation of the scope on industrial food packaging and stationary by 2030

ANNEX E Program of Works

GPP Criteria

GPP Category	Category Leader	Status	Plan
Light Vehicles	PSD	Available	Review by December 2025
Lights	RAKEZ	Available	Review by December 2025
Air Conditioners (ACs)	RAKEZ	Available	Review by December 2025
IT Equipment	EGA	Available	Review by December 2025
Paper	DoF	Available	Review by December 2026
Furniture	DoF	Available	Review by December 2026
Household Appliances	RAK MUN	Available	Review by December 2026
Water Fixtures and Fittings	RAK MUN	Available	Review by December 2026
Cleaning Products	EPDA	Available	Review by December 2026
Carpeting	EPDA	Available	Review by December 2026
Retrofit Projects	RAK MUN	Available	Review by December 2026
Solar Projects	RAK MUN	Available	Review by December 2026
Building Design and Construction	RAK MUN	Available	Review by December 2026
Cleaning Contracts	N/A	Not started yet	Assign Category Leader by March 2025
Events and Catering	N/A	Not started yet	Assign Category Leader by March 2025
Maintenance	N/A	Not started yet	Assign Category Leader by March 2025
Facility Management	N/A	Not started yet	Assign Category Leader by March 2025

GPP Initiatives

GPP Initiative	Initiative Leader	Status	Plan
Go Paperless	RAKEZ	Available	Review by December 2026
Single-Use Plastics No More	EPDA	Available	Review by December 2026

ANNEX F Target Definition and Reporting Templates

Target definition template

Government Entity:			
Year:			
GPP Category	Selected for GPP adoption (Yes/No)	Total budget for the year (AED)	Target GPP compliance (compliant spending as % of budget)
Paper			
Light Vehicles			
Lights			
Furniture			
Air Conditioners (ACs)			
Household Appliances			
Water Fixtures and Fittings			
IT Equipment			
Cleaning Products			
Carpeting			
Retrofit Projects			
Solar Projects			
Building Design and Construction			
Total (across all GPP categories)			
Other categories of spend (for which GPP Criteria are not defined)			
Overall (across all spend)			

Reporting template

Government Entity:				
Reporting Year:				
GPP Category	Selected for GPP adoption (Yes/No)	Total spend value of the year (AED)	Target GPP compliance (GPP compliant spending as % of total spend)	Achieved GPP compliance (% of compliant spending)
Paper				
Light Vehicles				
Lights				
Furniture				
Air Conditioners (ACs)				
Household Appliances				
Water Fixtures and Fittings				
IT Equipment				
Cleaning Products				
Carpeting				
Retrofit Projects				
Solar Projects				
Building Design and Construction				
Total (across all GPP categories)				
Other categories of				
spend (for which GPP Criteria are not defined)				
Overall (across all spend)				