

**Protecting and Advancing
Human Health**



Environmental Policy

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Introduction

Environmental responsibility is integral to NSF's mission of protecting and advancing human health. Through standards, certification, consulting, and training services, NSF supports sustainable practices across the food, water, and wellness sectors.

As a global public health and safety organization, NSF is committed to minimizing the environmental impact of its operations and continuously improving its environmental performance. This Environmental Policy establishes the framework for managing key environmental impacts, including emissions, energy use, water, and waste, across NSF's global operations.

The policy aligns with recognized environmental standards and supports consistent decision-making, performance management, and continuous improvement.

Purpose and Scope

NSF is committed to advancing environmental and responsible business practices that support its mission of protecting and advancing human health. This Environmental Policy defines NSF's approach to environmental management and establishes the principles that guide the reduction of its environmental impact.

The purpose of this Environmental Policy is to:

- Mitigate NSF environmental impacts across core operational areas, including Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions, energy consumption, water use, and waste generation.
- Embed environmental considerations into all operations and decision-making processes.
- Ensure compliance with applicable environmental laws, regulations, and standards.
- Support transparent environmental monitoring, tracking, and reporting.
- Drive continuous improvement in environmental performance.

This Environmental Policy applies to NSF International and all its global operations, including subsidiaries and future acquisitions. It applies to all employees and directors, and extends, where relevant, to contractors, suppliers, and business partners. The policy covers all activities where NSF has operational control, ensuring environmental considerations are integrated into day-to-day operations and decision-making.



NSF Environmental Priorities

At NSF, we are committed to doing the right thing. This includes upholding the highest standards of environmental responsibility and ensuring our operations respect and protect the world around us. NSF is committed to ongoing progress in reducing energy use, waste, water consumption, and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, ensuring we continually improve our environmental performance over time as we grow.

We recognize the urgency of climate change and the importance of supporting global efforts to address it. To contribute to these efforts, NSF is committed to reducing its environmental impacts across core operational areas, aligning its actions with relevant international frameworks, and supporting progress consistent with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. In addition, NSF supports the sustainable management and responsible use of water resources through its operations and services.

Our priorities and commitments:

Climate and Energy Consumption



Reduce greenhouse gas emissions by measuring and reporting emissions annually, reviewing progress towards targets, and investing in energy efficiency, renewable and low carbon technologies. Support clients in tracking their impacts, setting targets, and reducing their own emissions.

Water Stewardship



Responsible and efficient use of water resources throughout our services and operations, promoting safe and sustainable water management by minimizing water consumption, preventing water pollution, and protecting water quality and availability. Ensuring safe, reliable potable water access at all our global facilities through participation in the WASH program.

Waste Management



Minimal waste generation with maximum resource recycling and recovery through robust waste management and integration of circular economy principles into our facilities, services, and operations.



Climate and Energy Consumption

Formalization of Commitments

NSF commits to reducing its combined Scope 1 and Scope 2 greenhouse gas emissions, using the *market-based* approach, by 50 percent by 2030, compared to a 2023 baseline. This commitment reflects NSF's ambition to mitigate climate related impacts from its operations and support the transition to a lower carbon economy.

Implementation Framework

To achieve this target, NSF has initiated the purchase of renewable electricity as a key lever under the *market-based* emissions accounting approach. In parallel, NSF will implement targeted actions to improve energy efficiency and reduce overall energy demand across its operations. Planned initiatives include:

- Conducting energy audits at major facilities.
- Deploying energy management systems at high impact sites.
- Providing training for facilities and operations teams to strengthen energy performance.
- Assessing opportunities for on-site renewable energy generation.

KPIs and Monitoring

Emissions will be calculated in accordance with the GHG Protocol, ensuring consistency, comparability, and methodological robustness. Progress will be measured using the following key performance indicator:

- Total GHG emissions, expressed in tons of CO₂ equivalent (tCO₂e), covering Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions.
- Total renewable energy purchased (MWh).

Compliance and Integration

NSF aligns its climate and emissions management approach with widely recognized international standards, including the GHG Protocol and ISO-1464-1. Climate considerations and emissions reduction actions are integrated into facilities management, energy procurement decisions, and broader operational planning to support compliance with relevant regulatory and stakeholder expectations.

Reporting and Continuous Improvement

Results and progress toward the 2030 emissions reduction target will be disclosed annually in NSF's Impact Report. In addition to Scope 1 and Scope 2 actions, NSF will continue to enhance the accuracy and granularity of its Scope 3 emissions data. NSF will also assess further opportunities to reduce emissions across its value chain, supporting a more comprehensive climate strategy over time. This reporting will promote transparency, accountability, and continuous improvement through consistent performance tracking and management review.



Water Stewardship

Formalization of Commitments

NSF is committed to the responsible stewardship of water resources across all global operations, in line with its environmental objectives and sustainability commitments. It serves as a World Health Organization Collaborating Center on water quality, contributing to improved water quality and public health outcomes.

NSF is also a signatory to the WASH4Work pledge, committing to providing safe water, sanitation, and hygiene facilities at all workplaces under its control. Through its engagement with the WASH program and support for UN Sustainable Development Goal 6, NSF aims to improve water efficiency and reduce water consumption across its operations.

Implementation Framework

To support improved water stewardship, NSF implements initiatives focused on reducing water consumption and enhancing efficiency across its facilities. Key actions include:

- Identifying water-intensive operations and implementing reduction measures.
- Identifying hazardous substances and implementing reduction measures.
- Promoting efficient water use practices across facilities and laboratories.
- Evaluating opportunities for water recycling and reuse where feasible.
- Engaging site teams to strengthen awareness of responsible water management.

KPIs and Monitoring

Water performance will be tracked and monitored using consistent internal tracking methodologies. Progress will be assessed through the following key performance indicator:

- Total water consumption across global operations, measured in gallons.
- Total NSF controlled workplaces with access to safe water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) facilities within three years of joining the initiative.

Compliance and Integration

Water management practices will be integrated into facility operations and environmental management systems, ensuring alignment with applicable regulatory requirements and stakeholder expectations. This integration will include identifying opportunities to reduce water consumption and enhance water efficiency across our operations, particularly in areas exposed to water-related risks. Responsibilities for implementation will be clearly defined, and regular monitoring will be conducted to ensure compliance and continuous improvement.



Reporting and Continuous Improvement

Water consumption and progress on water efficiency initiatives will be reported annually in NSF's Impact Report to support transparency, reporting, and continuous improvement. This reporting will enable NSF to monitor year over year water performance and identify opportunities to enhance water efficiency.

Waste Management

Formalization of Commitments

NSF is committed to minimizing waste generation and advancing responsible waste management practices across its global operations. NSF aims to reduce its environmental impact by prioritizing waste prevention, reduction, reuse, recycling, and recovery, in line with circular economy principles. NSF aims to continuously improve resource efficiency and reduce reliance on landfill disposal.

Implementation Framework

To support improved waste performance, NSF implements initiatives focused on waste reduction across its operations. Key actions include:

- Identifying key waste streams and implementing reduction and optimization measures at source.
- Promoting reuse and recycling practices across facilities and operational sites.
- Integrating waste management processes into laboratory operations.
- Reducing hazardous chemical and biological waste through improved management practices.
- Engaging employees to strengthen awareness of circular economy, waste collection, and waste reduction.

KPIs and Monitoring

Waste performance will be tracked using standardized internal reporting systems. Progress will be measured through the following key performance indicators:

- Total waste generated across global operations, measured in metric tons.
- Waste diversion rate (recycling and recovery programs as a percentage of total waste).
- Total hazardous waste generated (in metric tons or kilograms).

Compliance and Integration

Waste management practices will be integrated into operational procedures and facility management systems, ensuring compliance with applicable environmental regulations and alignment with internal sustainability objectives to ensure responsible disposal practices.



Reporting and Continuous Improvement

Waste performance and progress toward circularity and reduction objectives will be disclosed annually in NSF's Impact Report to ensure transparency, accountability, reporting, and continuous improvement.

Stakeholder Engagement

NSF recognizes that effective environmental management requires strong engagement with stakeholders to understand expectations, support informed decision-making, and improve environmental performance. NSF engages with key stakeholders, including employees, clients, regulators, suppliers, and communities, in a structured and transparent manner, proportionate to their relevance and impact.

NSF will support stakeholder engagement by:

- Conducting periodic consultations to inform environmental priorities and initiatives.
- Integrating stakeholder feedback into environmental strategy and policy development.
- Maintaining clear communication channels for environmental topics and concerns.
- Promoting employee awareness and participation in environmental initiatives.
- Collaborating with external stakeholders to support responsible environmental practices.

NSF will periodically review its engagement approach to ensure its effectiveness and alignment with its environmental objectives.

ESG Governance

NSF's ESG governance structure ensures accountability and effective oversight across the organization. Two independent Boards of Directors — NSF International and NSF International Holdings, Inc. — provide oversight and strategic guidance. The NSF International Board operates through three committees that support its fiduciary responsibilities. At the executive level, the ESG program is sponsored by the Vice President and Chief Legal Officer and supported by the ESG Council.

Policy Review

This Environmental Policy will be reviewed on a regular basis, and at least annually, to ensure its continued relevance and effectiveness. Updates will be made as needed to reflect changes in regulatory requirements, industry standards, technological developments, and NSF's operational priorities.



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