



University of South Australia
Student Association

ETHICAL PROCUREMENT POLICY

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USASA recognises the purchasing of goods and services has a social and environmental impact with global consequences. To meet this responsibility, all purchases will be made to minimise adverse environmental and social impacts through the selection of sustainably preferred goods and services

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This policy provides guidance to the acquisition of goods and services made by USASA, either purchased or leased from suppliers external to USASA. The acquisition of goods and services includes but is not limited to:

- consumables, including office supplies
- office equipment
- facilities management and construction
- information and communications technology
- contractors and consultants
- motor vehicles

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This Policy states the principles governing USASA purchasing will include ethical, compliance and fiscal obligations, as well as opportunities for financial savings, improved sustainability, service and quality outcomes. All persons making purchases for USASA will:

- reduce consumption of unnecessary and unwarranted goods
- support businesses and industry groups that demonstrate innovation in sustainability
- support suppliers who are socially responsible and adopt ethical practices
- support and promote Fairtrade certified suppliers

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