

TYPE	Sustainability Management System (SMS)	Sustainability Rating		Environmental Management System (EMS)		Product Chain of Custody (CoC)	
ATTRIBUTE	SGP Certification	EcoVadis	Carbon Disclosure Plan (CDP)	ISO 14001	Printing Industries of America (PIA) EMS	FSC CoC	PEFC
Applicability	Whole Facility Sustainability	Whole Facility Environmental & Social	Whole Facility Environmental	Whole Facility Environmental	Printing - Environmental, Health & Safety Compliance	Wood Sourcing & Forest Management	Wood Sourcing & Forest Management
Audit (type & frequency)	Onsite, desktop, assigned auditor	Document validation assessment	Desk-based annual evaluation	Annual third party surveillance	Initial onsite audit Annual review	Annual audit of paper handling	Annual audit of paper handling
Best Practices Full Facility	✓	✓		Operational Controls for Specific Environmental Activities	Waste reduction & Energy Efficiency		
Carbon Footprint Capture Scope 1, 2, 3	1, 2 and limited scope 3	✓	✓				
Certification Renewal	2 years	1 year	1 year	3 years	2 years	5 years	5 years
Continuous Improvement	Annual Goal/Project Report	✓		Goals & objectives for specific environmental activities			
Cost*	\$\$	\$\$\$\$	\$\$\$\$	\$\$\$		\$\$	\$\$
Data Management Software	SGP Impact Tracker						
Efficient Use, Reduction, Circularity	✓	✓	✓	Specified Environmental Activities	Waste reduction & Energy Efficiency		
Engage Supply Chain	✓	✓	✓			Supplier Validation System - Paper Sourcing	Supplier Validation System - Paper Sourcing
Environmental Compliance	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Specific environmental criteria	Specific environmental criteria
Focus	Print Supply Chain	All Industries	All Industries	All Industries	Printers -Regulatory Compliance	Sustainable Paper Sourcing	Sustainable Paper Sourcing
Health & Safety Compliance	✓	✓			✓		
Labor & Human Rights Compliance	✓	✓				Specific social criteria	Specific social criteria
Management System	Comprehensive Sustainability	Comprehensive Sustainability rating	Environmental	Environmental	Environmental	Chain of Custody Management	Due Diligence Documentation
Minimize Transportation	✓	✓	✓				
Peer to Peer Guidance & Community	✓						
Region	North America	Global	Global	Global	North America	Global	Global
Training on chemical use, handling & mgmt specific to printing	✓			Specified Environmental Activities			
Waste Reduction	✓	✓	✓	Specified Environmental Activities	✓		

*Estimated, some costs range based on company size, costs subject to change.

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