

## Green Salon



### **Green Salon - running a business with environmental awareness.**

A Green Salon must fulfil seven obligatory requirements, in order to be approved. The requirements for the salon concern the chemicals in use in the salon and standards of quality. It is a prerequisite that the manager or daily leader of the salon has completed the Green Salon course.

Following this, the salon must implement a continuous environment management programme. This means that each year new areas of special attention are selected for improvement. Areas of attention must be selected from at least two different environmental subjects in the Green Shop list.

If no further areas for improvement can be found, the focus for the year must be to maintain the excellent level of shop environment, and to participate in any current campaigns concerning environment and health.

The starting point for everything is a thorough review of the environmental and energy efficiency status of the salon. Consequently every prospective Green Salon gets a visit from a consultant and a report that is to be used as basis for the selection of areas of special attention.

### **Price:**

The cost for a Green Salon is 4.400 DKK the first year and 2400 DKK for each following year. This price includes:

- A visit from our consultant with a review of the salon's products and its energy and environmental conditions
- A report with recommendations for savings and areas of interest
- A booklet on health and environmental issues in hair dressing salons
- An approval of the non-voluntary requirements and areas of interest
- A diploma in frame, 2 stickers, logo files
- Presentation of the salon on website [www.groensalon.dk](http://www.groensalon.dk)
- Newsmail from Green Salons

### **How to sign up:**

Contact the secretariat for Green Salons at Energitjenesten Anna Thormann by telephone at 56 67 60 73 or by email at [at@energitjenesten.dk](mailto:at@energitjenesten.dk). Here you can also get more information on the Green Salon course and arrange how to proceed.

Salons in Copenhagen can call The environmental Agency of Copenhagen, Johan Galster, telephone 33 66 59 02.

### **The Green Salon course:**

The course is arranged according to demand for groups or individuals.

Unit price is 7000 DKK for minimum 5 persons.

The course lasts one day. Material will be forwarded in advance. See also Annex B.

## Green Salon requirements:

### Obligatory requirements

1. The manager has knowledge of the chemistry and health implications of hair dressing products. The manager of the salon has attended the Green Salon course on chemistry, working environment and health in the hairdressing business.
2. The daily manager and the employees of the salon have finished the 4-year long hairdressing education. This does not apply to apprentices.
3. No products in the salon contain chemical materials on the Green Salon List (annex A). This includes products for resale. Any product with Annex A chemicals must be phased out before the salon can be certified as a Green Salon.
4. The salon is especially aware of allergies and hypersensitivity issues. Before any treatment, the customer will be asked whether he or she is hypersensitive to particular chemicals. In case of allergic reactions, the customer is urged to report these to his or her own physician.
5. Hair bleach can only be applied in a manner where it does not get into contact with the scalp.
6. All cleaning is done using cleaners with ecolabels.
7. If the salon offers refreshments to customers, these must be organic.

**GREEN SALON** List of initiatives - choose three new initiatives each year.

**To achieve elite status all the elite requirements must be met.**

**The rest are optional and the salon is free to choose other areas of interest.**

### 1. Electricity

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| 1.1 elite | <b>Energy savings are realised according to the recommendations in the Energy report</b>   |
| 1.2 elite | <b>The electricity consumption is examined.</b><br>The electricity meter is checked on a regular basis to ascertain the consumption.<br>A watt meter is obtained to measure the consumption of all appliances. An evaluation is made whether the electricity consumption of the appliance is unreasonably large in relation to similar new appliances. |
| 1.3 elite | <b>Standby current consumption is minimized.</b><br>All electrical appliances are turned off, when not in use.<br>IT equipment has sleep-mode.<br>Computers, printers and allied equipment are hooked up to a switchable power bar that will turn all appliances off simultaneously.   |
| 1.4 elite | <b>Optimized use of washers and dryers.</b><br>The washing machine is filled before each wash.<br>Clothes are dried on a clothes-line wherever possible.   |
| 1.5       | <b>All major appliances are replaced with Energy Star models.</b>  |
| 1.6       | <b>CO2 neutral</b><br>The Salon buys its power from a provider of green energy.  |
| 1.7       | <b>Renewable energy etc.</b><br>The Salon has installed or invested in a renewable energy source   |

<b>2. Lighting – behaviour</b>	
2.1	<b>The ontime for lighting is reduced.</b> All non-essential lighting is switched off when the shop is closed. Fewer halogen spots or fluorescent lights may be used to light workspaces after hours.
2.2	<b>The ontime for lighting shop windows is adjusted.</b> Lighting in shop windows may be cut by - for instance - one hour each night. That makes 365 hours in a year.
<b>3. Heating – behaviour</b>	
3.1	<b>Doors are kept closed, when the heating is on.</b>
3.2	<b>The thermostat is set to lower temperatures at night.</b>
<b>4. Water</b>	
4.1 elite	<b>Water is saved by using an aerator on the taps.</b> The aerator will mix air into the water, thereby reducing water consumption by 25 %.
4.2	<b>An older toilet is exchanged for a new model with dual flush.</b>
<b>5. Green purchases</b>	
5.1 elite	<b>Only ecolabeled paper is used.</b> Toilet paper, paper towels, office stationary, napkins
5.2 elite	<b>No disposable plates or cups are to be used</b>
5.3 elite	<b>Ink cartridges must be ecolabeled</b> or are returned to dealer for reuse or disposal.
5.4 elite	<b>All purchases of new IT equipment according to recommendations from The Energy Saving Fund.</b>
<b>6. Product range</b>	
See under Salon obligatory requirements	
<b>7. Transport</b>	
Parking for staff bicycles is improved. Shower facilities for staff using bikes for commuting is installed	
<b>8. Waste disposal</b>	
8.1 elite	<b>Waste separation is improved.</b> Local regulations for waste separation are checked for sorting out paper, cardboard, glass etc. Batteries and fluorescent lights are always returned for recycling.
8.2	<b>The amount of waste is reduced.</b> All transport packaging is returned to supplier. Empty containers are accepted from customers.
Other environmental improvements can be formulated in conjunction with the shop owner. In the future all renovation and remodelling of the shop must seek to create energy efficient and environmentally friendly solutions.	

### **Diploma, stickers and logo**

Each year a renewed diploma is issued to the Salon, listing the focus areas.

The salon must display the diploma prominently in the salon, so that staff can see what is required for a Green Salon.

The Salon each year is issued new stickers with the year printed. It is not required for the Salon to display it in the shop window or door. The logo for Green Salon can be used on stationary or website.

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**Annex A: The Green Salon List of chemicals that are not to be found in products in a Green Salon.**

1-naphthol	Strong sensitizer
Any chemical with aminophenol in the mane	Strong sensitizer
Formaldehyde and formaldehyde releasers, e.g. diazolidinyl urea and imidiazolidinyl urea	Carcinogenic. Toxic.
Thioglycolic acid and thioglycolate	Irritation. Sensitizing.
4-amino-3-nitrophenol	Extreme sensitizer.
Methylisothiazolinone and methylchloroisothiazolinone	Maybe neurotoxic, allergic
Parabenes	Endocrine disruptor (to a low degree). Allergenic effects. Some parabenes are slowly degradable in the aquatic environment..
PPD = p-phenylenediamine	Extreme sensitizer. Toxic. Irritating.
Any chemical with resorcinol in its mane	Endocrine disruptor
Toluene-2,5-diamine and toluene-2,5-diamine sulphate	Extreme sensitizer, maybe genotoxic. Toxic. Dangerous to health.

**Annex B: The Green Salon Course program.**

The course is offered by Green Salon on demand

Duration: 1 day

Location: By agreement

Number of participants: 5 or more

Price: 7000 DKK plus transport to be shared between participants

During the course, the participant receives knowledge and insight concerning health and safety, legislation, chemicals and ecolabeling relating to cosmetics. The participant will – based on this knowledge of the health hazards in the profession – be able to participate actively in improving the health and safety of her working environment and to choose products that are less dangerous to health and environment.

The course also includes orientation about the environment and energy consumption in salons.

Completion of this course is a prerequisite for being certified as a Green Salon.

If you wish to have your salon certified as a Green Salon or wish to participate in the course, you should turn to Anna Thormann, who is responsible for all Green Diplomas at Energitjenesten, preferably by email: [at@energitjenesten.dk](mailto:at@energitjenesten.dk).