

Green Hotels

To: Land Use Committee Members

From: Alderman Brian Yates

Subject: Green hotels

Would it be appropriate to ask the Indigo Hotel to begin to come into compliance with Green Hotel standards as part of its current special permit.?

Attachment

Green Hotel materials.

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FIND A GREEN HOTEL

What is a Green Hotel?

This is a question that perplexes many hospitality industry professionals. There is no single standard that is universally accepted. Common categories of environmental friendliness include:

- energy efficiency
- waste management
- water use efficiency
- the purchase of environmentally-friendly products
- toxic use reduction
- the education of guests and staff

At Boston Green Tourism, we give energy efficiency the most consideration, because the use of fossil fuel is most closely associated with the world's greatest environmental problem, global warming. Others give more weight to waste management or indoor air quality.

Whatever a hotel's strengths, how could it *prove* that it is environmentally-friendly? The clearest way is to become certified by an independent body. There are five certifications that Boston Green Tourism accepts:

- [U.S. EPA Energy Star for Hospitality](#)
- [U.S. Green Building Council's LEED Program](#)
- [Green Key Eco-Rating Program](#)
- [Green Seal for Lodging Properties](#)
- [EcoRooms & EcoSuites](#)

Greater Boston's Green Hotels

Here is a list of green-certified Greater Boston hotels, by certification.

	Energy Star	LEED	Green Key	Green Seal	EcoRooms & EcoSuites
Comfort Inn and Suites Boston/Airport, Revere	√		√		√

Find a Green Hotel

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Doubletree Guest Suites Boston	√				
Doubletree Hotel Boston – Downtown	√				
<u>element</u> , Lexington		√			
<u>The Eliot Hotel</u>			√		
<u>Fairmont Battery Wharf</u> , Boston			√		
<u>Fairmont Copley Plaza</u> Boston, Boston			√		
<u>Hotel Marlowe</u> , Cambridge			√	√	
<u>Hyatt Harborside Hotel</u> , Boston	√				
<u>Hyatt Regency Boston</u>	√				
<u>Inn at Harvard</u>	√				
<u>Irving House at Harvard</u> , Cambridge	√				
<u>The Lenox Hotel</u> , Boston	√		√		
<u>Marriott Burlington</u>	√				
<u>Marriott Peabody</u>	√				
<u>Marriott Quincy</u>	√				
<u>Nine Zero Hotel</u>				√	
<u>Omni Parker House</u> , Boston			√		
<u>Onyx Hotel Boston</u>				√	
<u>Ritz-Carlton Boston Common</u>			√		
<u>Royal Sonesta Boston</u> , Cambridge	√				
<u>Seaport Hotel</u> , Boston			√		√
<u>Sheraton Boston Hotel</u>	√				
<u>W Boston</u>			√		
<u>The Westin Copley Place</u> , Boston	√		√	√	
<u>The Westin Waltham-Boston</u> , Waltham	√				

The Westin Boston Waterfront			√			
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Green Hotel Website Pages



To learn more about hotel-specific environmental policy, click on the following link(s):

- [Aloft Lexington](#)
- [Boston Marriott Copley Place](#)
- [Boston Marriott Peabody](#)
- [The Colonnade Hotel](#)
- [Element Lexington](#)
- [Hotel Marlowe](#)
- [Hyatt Regency Boston](#)
- [Le Meridien Cambridge](#)
- [The Lenox Hotel](#)
- [Onyx Hotel](#)
- [Renaissance Boston Waterfront Hotel](#)
- [Seaport Hotel](#)
- [Sheraton Boston Hotel](#)
- [The Westin Copley Place, Boston](#)

Other Boston Green Tourism member hotels are improving their environmental program, and most are moving towards green certification:

- [A Bed & Breakfast in Cambridge, Cambridge](#)
- [A Bed & Breakfast in the Berkshires, Richmond](#)
- [aloft, Lexington](#)
- [Boston Marriott Copley Place](#)
- [The Colonnade Hotel, Boston](#)
- [Comfort Inn of Boston](#)
- [Four Seasons Hotel, Boston](#)
- [Harding House, Cambridge](#)
- [Hosteling International-Boston, Boston](#)
- [Hotel Commonwealth, Boston](#)
- [Hyatt Regency Cambridge](#)
- [Le Meridien, Cambridge](#)
- [Millennium Bostonian Hotel, Boston](#)
- [The Midtown Hotel, Boston](#)
- [Omni Parker House, Boston](#)
- [Ramada Inn, Boston](#)
- [Renaissance Boston Waterfront Hotel](#)
- [Residence Inn by Marriott Boston Cambridge Center, Cambridge](#)
- [Sheraton Commander Hotel Cambridge, Cambridge](#)

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