



Indiana Bed and Breakfast Association

Green Inn Self Certification Program

Sign up for Green Inn Self Certification – Proud to Be Green, Indiana Bed and Breakfast Association’s Standards Committee invites Association members that meet all of the requirements of the first level become a Proud to be Green Inn. Simple fill out the following information and go through the checklist to determine how many green leaves your Bed and Breakfast is entitled to. Then return this form to IBBA. Under this program your Bed and Breakfast can be awarded from one to four Green leaves and an additional A plus (+).

It is believed that numerous IBBA members have adopted green practices on a daily basis and should be recognized for their efforts and publicized to the travelling public. The Standards Committee has collected a list of (24) commonly recognized green practice activities and offer this to members for their consideration.

When you successfully complete the questionnaire your bed and breakfast will then receive a listing in IBBA’s website under “Proud to be Green” along with Certificate suitable for display. Participation in the “Green Self Certification” program is totally volunteer.

Bed and Breakfast (name) _____

Location of Bed and Breakfast _____



One Green Leaf – Commitment for Level 1
____ Minimum of (6) Items to be met.



Two Green Leaves – Commitment for Level 2
____ Minimum of (12) Items to be met.



Three Green Leaves – Commitment for Level 3
____ Minimum of (18) Items to be met



Four Green Leaves – Commitment for Level 4
____ All (24) Items met

A (+) will be placed with each level to indicate the innkeeper is making a concerted effort to maintain accurate energy and/or utility consumption records and makes comparisons from year to year at comparable time periods. Considering variables, the innkeeper adopts additional practices in an attempt to lower energy and/or utility consumption.

1. Inns will be recognized on the IBBA website and will receive a certificate suitable for display.
2. Inns may submit for higher levels of recognition as they adopt additional green practices.

At the present time, the green certificate program is based on the honesty of each innkeeper completing the self-evaluation and is not part of the Standards inspection conducted on a bi-annual schedule. The list adopted by the Standards Green Committee is not to be considered all-inclusive of Green Practices recognized today but represents common activities accepted by many.

GREEN SELF CERTIFICATION RECOGNITION

- 1. Use compact fluorescent / LED bulbs throughout the Inn where aesthetics are not at issue
- 2. Recycle bins are available for guest usage
- 3. Participation in curbside / community recycling bins
- 4. Use of GREEN certified cleaning products
- 5. Provide an option for guests to reuse towels
- 6. Innkeeper uses reusable bags when shopping
- 7. Encourage guests to turn lights off when departing the room
- 8. Use cloth napkins
- 9. Installation of digital or programmable thermostat (s)
- 10. Use of bulk water dispenser to reduce plastic bottles
- 11. Has water-saver toilets
- 12. Exterior lights on a timer
- 13. Has a compost pile for yard and food wastes
- 14. Purchase locally or grow fruits and vegetables when in season
- 15. Uses non-toxic pest control and organic fertilizer products
- 16. Install low flow shower heads
- 17. Uses a high efficiency water heater
- 18. Uses an energy efficient furnace
- 19. Completes a certified infra-red energy loss test
- 20. Insulates the hot water heater and pipes
- 21. Uses energy efficient washer and dryer
- 22. Innkeeper plans multiple errands to be combined in one trip
- 23. Uses non-gasoline lawn mower and other lawn equipment
- 24. Uses clothes line drying when weather permits

I certify that I _____ have completed the Indiana Bed and Breakfast Self Certification Recognition Questionnaire and that my Bed and Breakfast qualifies to receive _____ Green Leaves and a Green A+ _____ Date Completed _____

Check if you are interested in serving on the Green Committee

The Standards Committee urges you to seek to improve your green ranking at any time. Simply fill out this Self Evaluation Questionnaire and submit any new Green Leaf rank earned to IBBA