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Beauty Salon – Green Business Tip Sheet

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#1 Recycle hair clipping & dye waste	Hair waste can be converted into bio-composite plastics and other reusable products. Green Circles Salon provides specific recycling programs for hair salons. greencirclesalons.com
#2 Recycle hair care and treatment product waste	SalonCycle, formed through a partnership between TerraCycle and Salon Centric, enables salons to recycle a number of different waste streams commonly found in salons, including metals (used color tubes and foils); plastics (product lids and containers, rigid plastics, beverage bottles, and color tube lids); paper (magazines, newspapers, paper packaging, cardboard, and coffee cups); hair (processed and virgin); breakroom waste (coffee capsules, straws, chip bags, candy wrappers, and disinfecting wipes); PPE (disposable gloves, face masks, and disposable garments); and excess color (color, toner, and lightener), among other professional beauty product waste. https://www.saloncentric.com/salencycle.html
#3 Reduce hair color dye waste by switching to hair-coloring measurement systems	Contact James Alba at the B Hive Salon, info@thebhivesalon.com for more information on how hair-coloring measurement systems work for them.
#4 Reduce electricity use	Switch all ceiling lighting to LED lighting, use energy efficient appliances, and use Smart Thermostats.



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<p>#5 Replace products with natural or environmentally preferred products that are sustainably sourced and locally produced</p>	<p>All products should meet strict criteria such as ammonia free, paragon free, sulfate free and cruelty free and be provided from certified green companies and certified B-corp companies. Purchase products in bottles and jars made from glass over plastic packaging to reduce the use of harmful chemicals and use suppliers that reduce plastic packaging and shipping products. Some suppliers provide reusable product packaging that can be refilled.</p>
<p>#6 Reduce water consumption</p>	<p>Install a water softener to reduce settlement in the hot water heater and insulate hot water pipes for increased efficiency by reducing the amount of wasted water to get it to “temp”. Utilize a unique sink basin shower head called “Eco-Heads”, which modifies the water pressure with a laser cut template. Hair color specifically takes about 6 minutes to wash out using about 16 gallons of water. This device cuts the time to under 3 minutes resulting in about 12 gallons of water saving - per head!</p>