



Environmental Stewardship Categories

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Annual Environmental Report



Part of the **Environmental Stewardship Initiative**: a voluntary program that utilizes existing Department infrastructure and personnel to capture information during routine enforcement inspections and recognize members of the regulated community who are engaging in positive activities that benefit the environment.

NJDEP



Qualifying for Annual Environmental Report Stewardship Recognition

To receive stewardship recognition for an **ANNUAL ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT** a company must prepare and publish to the web a report citing both positive *and negative* environmental outcomes of its business practices. The report must contain an *honest* assessment of the major areas of environmental harm brought about by the company as well an account of progress made towards reaching or developing new environmental goals related to reducing these harms. A report of this kind is a necessary component of an Environmental Management System, and its suitable web publication will qualify a business to receive Stewardship recognition.



What should be included in an **ANNUAL ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT**?

*Report must be published annually to the company website.

*Required reporting will NOT qualify a company for Stewardship recognition.



*Companies adhering to Environmental Management Systems most likely already prepare a suitable environmental report.



*Very small organizations may qualify with less formal reporting.

An **ANNUAL ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT** may contain information regarding:

- ⇒ Details about company size, classification, and other general information
- ⇒ Major areas in which the company's practices interact with and disturb the environment (emissions, discharges, wastes, etc.)
- ⇒ Progress made toward previously established environmental goals and desired practice improvements
- ⇒ Failures to reach previously established goals and plans to improve performance
- ⇒ New goals aimed at reducing environmental harm
- ⇒ Details of the Environmental Management System implemented by the company
- ⇒ Community outreach activities

In Short...

1. Prepare a report containing an honest assessment of the environmental outcomes of its practices (positive and negative).
2. Include in the report progress made toward reaching environmental goals as well as new environmental initiatives.
3. Publish the report to the web (on a yearly basis).

For more information on developing an **ANNUAL ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT**, you can visit:

Global Reporting Initiative—G3 Sustainability Guidelines

<http://www.globalreporting.org/ReportingFramework/G3Guidelines/>

Ceres—Facility Reporting Project

<http://www.ceres.org/NETCOMMUNITY/Page.aspx?pid+436&srcid=556>