



# Sustainable Accommodation Policy

## **Dream Nepal Travel & Tours**

Dream Nepal is a socially aware travel company, which endows with as much dedication to the society as it does to its true service. We promote responsible travel to natural areas that conserves the environment and improves the well being of local people.

## **SUSTAINABLE MEASURES**

We would like our accommodations to work as sustainably as possible, both with respect to the environment as with respect to the people working with or living close to the accommodation. Therefore we request all the hotels, home stays and other accommodations we work with to apply the following sustainability measures:

## **Hotels**

- Provide a sustainable and socially responsible service to the guests
- Request your guests to re-use towels and bed linen
- Measure your water use and investigate how you can reduce the water use of the hotel, for example by applying the following measures:
  - Regular check ups on leakages
  - Install water saving buttons for toilets
  - Irrigate the garden in the night or early morning
- Measure your electricity use and investigate how you can reduce the electricity usage, for example by applying the following measures:
  - Install energy saving light bulbs
  - Switch off generators between 10 pm and 6 am
  - Implement movement sensors for the lights in corridors
  - Ensure lights, air conditioning, etc. in the rooms will automatically be switched off when the guests are not inside the room
- Make sure solar panels are regularly cleaned
- Apply a waste separation program
- Accommodations must be neat and clean
- Aim to only sell locally and / or sustainably produced souvenirs
- Limit your negative effect on local and global biodiversity where-ever feasible, e.g. don't offer red listed species on the menu
- Incorporate elements of local art, architecture, or cultural heritage, whenever possible; while respecting the intellectual property rights of local communities
- Promote local culture by - for example - inviting cultural or mother groups for a music and / or local dance performance, selling locally produced souvenirs, selling local eco-tours that benefit neighbouring communities, etc.

Dream Nepal provides training and guidance on sustainability issues and health and hygiene to all the hotels, home stays and other accommodations we work with where needed.

## **Home Stays**

- Provide a sustainable and socially responsible service to the guests
- Promote and choose, where possible, locally produced goods and services
- Comply with the core values of sustainable tourism, as per stated in our Partner Policy
- Accommodations must be neat and clean
- Have a water filter or other water treatment device for selling drinking water (we discourage the selling of plastic bottles of mineral water)
- Apply solar power for lights and for heating water, where possible
- Apply a waste separation program
- Minimise the use of firewood for cooking; if you use firewood, use only dead wood and use alternatives like (bio) gas, kerosene and solar cookers
- Promote local culture by - for example - inviting cultural or mother groups for music and local dance performances, selling locally produced souvenirs, etc.

## **TERMS & CONDITIONS**

In the contract with all our accommodations we state that the accommodation must comply with the Labour laws of the government of Nepal.