

Environmental Policy of Aigüestortes and Estany de Sant Maurici National Park

Aigüestortes and Estany de Sant Maurici National Park was created over 50 years and is dependent on the Government of Catalonia. In order to establish sustainable criteria for collaboration in the conservation, protection and improvement of the status of habitats and species, the Park has established the following principles for action, which constitute its environmental policy and code of conduct:

- 1. To ensure compliance with environmental legislation and with any voluntary environmental requirements endorsed.
- 2. To prevent any contamination of the environment originating in the Park facilities and to seek the continual improvement of environmental management.
- To introduce and maintain operative an environmental management system as per Regulation (EC) No. 1221/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council, in order to guarantee the continual improvement of the environmental management of Park facilities and to establish environmental objectives periodically.
- 4. To verify the efficiency and level of improvement of the environmental management system implemented periodically to ensure that it is appropriate for minimising the impact of Park facilities.
- 5. To support the use of processes aimed at minimising the consumption of water, fuel and other natural resources, and also the quantity of emissions, effluents and waste generated, as far as technically and economically possible.
- 6. To integrate environmental factors in the planning of new projects and the modification of existing ones.
- 7. To draw up and offer training plans to all employees, appropriate to their field, to provide them with the necessary knowledge to undertake their work in the most environmentally sound way possible.
- 8. To encourage the contractors that provide services in Park facilities and professionals working in the area to do so in accordance with the principles of this policy and the guidelines of the environmental management system.
- 9. To foster the improvement of the environmental behaviour of visitors to the Park and those living in its area of socioeconomic influence.
- 10. The policy will be made public via electronic media to all interested parties that request it, and to related organisations or entities.

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