

Noble Surgical LLC

Sustainability Program**

Distributor of SU-POR Surgical Implants by Poriferous

1. Program Overview

Noble Surgical LLC is committed to operating responsibly, ethically, and sustainably within the healthcare supply chain. As a **distribution-only organization**, Noble Surgical does not manufacture, warehouse, or directly ship physical products. Instead, products are **drop-shipped from the manufacturer**, allowing the company to minimize resource consumption, reduce waste, and maintain a small environmental footprint.

This Sustainability Program outlines the company's formal commitments, priorities, and practices to support environmental stewardship while delivering high-quality products to healthcare professionals.

2. Sustainability Objectives

Noble Surgical LLC commits to the following core environmental objectives:

2.1 Reduce Carbon Emissions

- Minimize transportation-related emissions by using **direct manufacturer-to-customer drop shipping**.
- Prioritize manufacturers and logistics partners that demonstrate **carbon-reduction strategies**, such as route optimization or fleet efficiency.
- Use virtual communication and digital workflows whenever possible to reduce travel and paper use.

2.2 Minimize Operational Waste

- Maintain a **paperless business model**, using digital invoicing, contracts, records, and marketing materials.
- Avoid physical inventory storage, reducing packaging waste, energy consumption, and materials associated with warehousing.
- Promote minimal-waste logistics practices through collaboration with manufacturing partners.

2.3 Promote Environmentally Responsible Procurement

- Select manufacturers and suppliers that:
 - Comply with recognized environmental standards.
 - Use recyclable or reduced-impact packaging when feasible.

- Maintain responsible waste-management practices.
- Demonstrate energy-efficient production operations.

2.4 Support Sustainable Healthcare Supply Chains

- Encourage hospital and clinical clients to adopt environmentally responsible purchasing and disposal procedures.
 - Share available sustainability documentation provided by manufacturers.
 - Communicate clearly about product origin, regulatory standing, and packaging expectations.
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3. Scope of Program

This Sustainability Program applies to all business functions of Noble Surgical LLC, including:

- Supplier and manufacturer partnerships
- Customer service and sales activities
- Digital and administrative operations
- Transportation and logistics coordination
- Internal procurement and office practices

Because the company does not engage in manufacturing, warehousing, or freight management, sustainability impacts relate primarily to **administrative efficiency** and **responsible supplier selection**.

4. Key Sustainability Practices

4.1 Drop-Ship Distribution Model

Noble Surgical operates a **low-impact distribution model**:

- Products are shipped **directly from the manufacturer** to the healthcare facility.
- No secondary packaging or unnecessary handling occurs.
- This results in:
 - Reduced fuel consumption
 - Fewer transportation miles
 - Elimination of redundant warehouse emissions
 - Reduced packaging waste

4.2 Paperless Operations

The company employs a fully digital administrative system:

- Electronic billing, quoting, ordering, and customer communication

- Digital contracts and recordkeeping
- Cloud-based file storage
- No printed manuals or marketing materials unless specifically requested

This reduces waste, printer energy consumption, and long-term environmental impact.

4.3 Responsible Vendor Partnerships

Noble Surgical LLC will:

- Evaluate suppliers annually on environmental responsibility.
- Favor manufacturers with documented sustainability initiatives (e.g., recycling programs, energy-efficient production processes, minimized packaging).
- Prioritize partners that comply with relevant environmental regulations and certifications.

4.4 Energy-Efficient Office Practices

Even with minimal physical operations, Noble Surgical LLC maintains responsible internal standards:

- Use of energy-efficient lighting and office equipment
 - Recycling of electronics, batteries, and packaging received
 - Reduction of single-use office materials
 - Hybrid/remote work to reduce commuting emissions
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5. Sustainability Governance and Oversight

- The company owner, **Golda Noble**, oversees implementation of sustainability practices.
 - Annual reviews will assess:
 - Vendor environmental compliance
 - Paperless workflow effectiveness
 - Opportunities for carbon reduction
 - New industry sustainability standards
 - Sustainability goals and progress will be updated as needed.
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6. Continuous Improvement Commitment

Noble Surgical LLC acknowledges sustainability as a long-term responsibility and will:

- Stay informed about sustainable procurement and distribution best practices.
- Seek new opportunities to reduce environmental impact.

- Engage with supplier partners on eco-friendly initiatives.
 - Regularly refine processes to support industry-leading environmental performance.
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7. Statement of Commitment

Noble Surgical LLC is committed to responsible environmental stewardship. By operating a streamlined, digital-first, drop-ship distribution model, the company actively reduces waste, energy use, transportation emissions, and material consumption—while continuing to support patient-focused, high-quality medical outcomes.
