SELF-ASSESSMENT TABLE





Use this table as an overview of some of the pre-existing sustainable practices that booksellers can look to implement to run a more sustainable and eco-conscious bookshop.

The table should be read as follows:

Feasibility: easy____moderate___difficult

Cost: low____moderate___high

Impact: limited__moderate___high

Themes	Tools	Feasibility	Cost	Impact -	Level of progress		
					None	Little	A lot
Energy	Save electricity	•	•	• •			
	Save heatings	•	•	• •			
	Save air conditioning	•	• •	• •			
	Change energy suppliers	• •	•	•			
	Change heating systems	• • •	• • •	• • •			
Waste and the circular economy	Boxes	• •	•	•			
	Gift wrapping	• •	•	•			
	Bags for customers	• •	•	•			
	Limiting the quantities of plastic packaging	• •	•	• •			
	Composting	• •	•	• •			
	Pre-used furniture	• •	• •	• •			
	Reduce the number of damaged and destroyed books	• •	•	• •			
	Reduce the number of returned and pulped books	• •	•	• •			
	Offer second-hand books	• •	•	•			
	Or other sustainable and shared activities	• •	•	•			
	Limited promotional material	• •	•	• •			
Shipping and ordering	Bicycle deliveries	•	• •	• • •			
	Rail freight	• • •	• • •	• • •			
	Reduce the frequency of orders from distributors	• •	•	• •			
	Reduce the frequency of deliveries from distributors	• •	•	• •			
	Grouping deliveries	• •	•	•			
	Encourage staff and customers to decarbonize their bookshop journeys	• •	• •	•			
	Develop short supply chains	• •	• •	• •			
Digital economy	Reduce the impact of your equipment	•	•	• •			
	Reduce the impact of digital communication	•	•	•			
	Reduce the impact of your mailing list	•	•	•			
	Pick up your digital litter	• •	•	•			
Management	Team training	•	• •	• •			
	Designate a champion	•	• •	• •			
	Carry out an analysis	•	•	• •			
	Work with stakeholders	• •	• •	• • •			
	Adopt a charter	•	•	•			
	Take advantage of quality certifications	• •	• •	•			
Customers	Develop a thematic section	•	•	•			
	Create environment-focused table and window displays	•	•	•			
	Communication and customer engagement	• •	•	•			