Sustainability Guidelines and Action

Filmverkstaden recognises its responsibility to help protect the Earth. We are committed to minimising the environmental impact of our activities and supporting everyone in working to improve ecological sustainability. We strive to contribute to a shift towards environmental sustainability in analogue film and photography. Filmverkstaden is committed to sharing knowledge about best practices and taking action against the climate crisis. Through our actions, we work in the best interests of future generations and other kinds of life on Earth. We actively reduce our environmental impact by integrating environmentally and ecologically friendly measures into our operations.

Our actions include:

- Presenting workshops that address environmentally friendly methods of creating analogue images, such as cyanotype, filmmaking without a camera, and low-carbon development processes.
- Organising film screenings, workshops, and performances that highlight urgent environmental issues, as well as the role of artists and culture in environmental justice.
- Building our darkrooms from recycled materials from our previous premises, as well as other reused materials.
- Reusing outdated equipment, preventing waste, and making efforts to reduce energy consumption.
- Changing to LED lights in all of our spaces.
- Recycling and sorting waste, including cardboard, plastic, chemicals, electronics, glass, metal, and paper.
- Reducing the use of chemicals by applying environmentally friendly processes with the use of our photographic garden.
- Reducing the use of chemicals by sharing and replenishing chemistry to extend their lifespan.
- Promoting slow travel to Vaasa.