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## What is Sustainability?

**Sustainability** is the ability to provide for the needs of the world's current population without damaging the ability of future generations to provide for themselves.

When a process is sustainable, it can be carried out over and over without negative environmental effects or impossibly high costs to anyone involved.

**The basics:** Green Games is a semester-long program designed to increase student awareness of sustainable practices and good conservation behaviors through educational events, competitions and incentives. Green Games encourages students to take on leadership roles in creating, developing and implementing team programs.

### Who gets to play?

For the duration of Green Games, residence halls will be divided into teams. Each team will be given points for hosting and attending events and programs.

### Why play Green Games?

**Cash money!** (Winning team gets **\$600** for their residence halls!)

**Prizes!** (Individual competition winners may receive gift certificates, free goodies, \$\$ on First Card, etc.)

**Knowledge** (Expand your understanding of environmental issues; learn ways that you can help make a difference!)



## Playing Green Games is as easy as 1, 2, 3!

**1.** **Earn Points:** Organize or participate in Team Programs within your team of residence halls!

**2.** **Earn MORE Points:** Attend *Green Games Certified Events* like lectures, movie nights, or service projects.

**3.** **Earn the most points** by Dec. 5th, and win **\$600** for your team!

**\*** **Team spirit not enough incentive for ya?** Earn sweet prizes and cash for *yourself* by participating in any of our **INDIVIDUAL CONTESTS!** See p. \_ for more details.

## Helpful Tips:

### The Teams:

All 26 residence halls will be divided up into six teams.

*\*See p. \_\_ for team assignments.*

Each team can receive points based on the **number and types of programs** they host, and on the **percentage of team members** who attend each program.

### Teams can earn points in several ways, including:

- Develop a new Team Program (see program ideas)
- Attend Team Programs and Green Game Certified Events
- Work with local organization on established environmental projects

Teams can earn the most points by **developing Team Programs** and **attending both Team Programs and Green Games Certified Events** to earn Attendance points. We encourage you to be as creative as you'd like when planning team events; if you're not sure whether an event idea is environmentally themed, **ask us!**

**IMPORTANT!!!**

YOU MUST FILL OUT TEAM PROGRAM PAPERWORK IN ORDER TO RECEIVE POINTS FOR AN EVENT OR PROGRAM!  
All forms can be found on our website: [www.unca.edu/rcy](http://www.unca.edu/rcy)

**Team Program Forms are DUE BY Monday, Dec. 1st!**



**Multicultural  
Involvement  
Networking  
Education  
Responsibility  
Values  
Academics**

## **Hey RA's!**

### **Need some program ideas for your MINERVA requirements?**

The Office of Waste Reduction and Recycling (OWRR) is working with Housing and Resident Life (HRL) and the Residence Hall Association (RHA) to make Green Games a *HUGE* success. One way to get your team focused on developing programs could be using HRL's MINERVA model. With a little adjusting you can get Green Games points for your MINERVA programs.

For example, A Team Program designed using the MINERVA model might be as simple as teaching students about sustainable agriculture in other countries by having a speaker attend a hall meeting and discussing the topic. In this case, you'd be addressing an important global environmental issue as well as fulfilling the MINERVA multicultural component. Other Green Games Team Programs might get team members involved by volunteering at a local organic garden or touring the Greensboro Materials Recovery Facility.

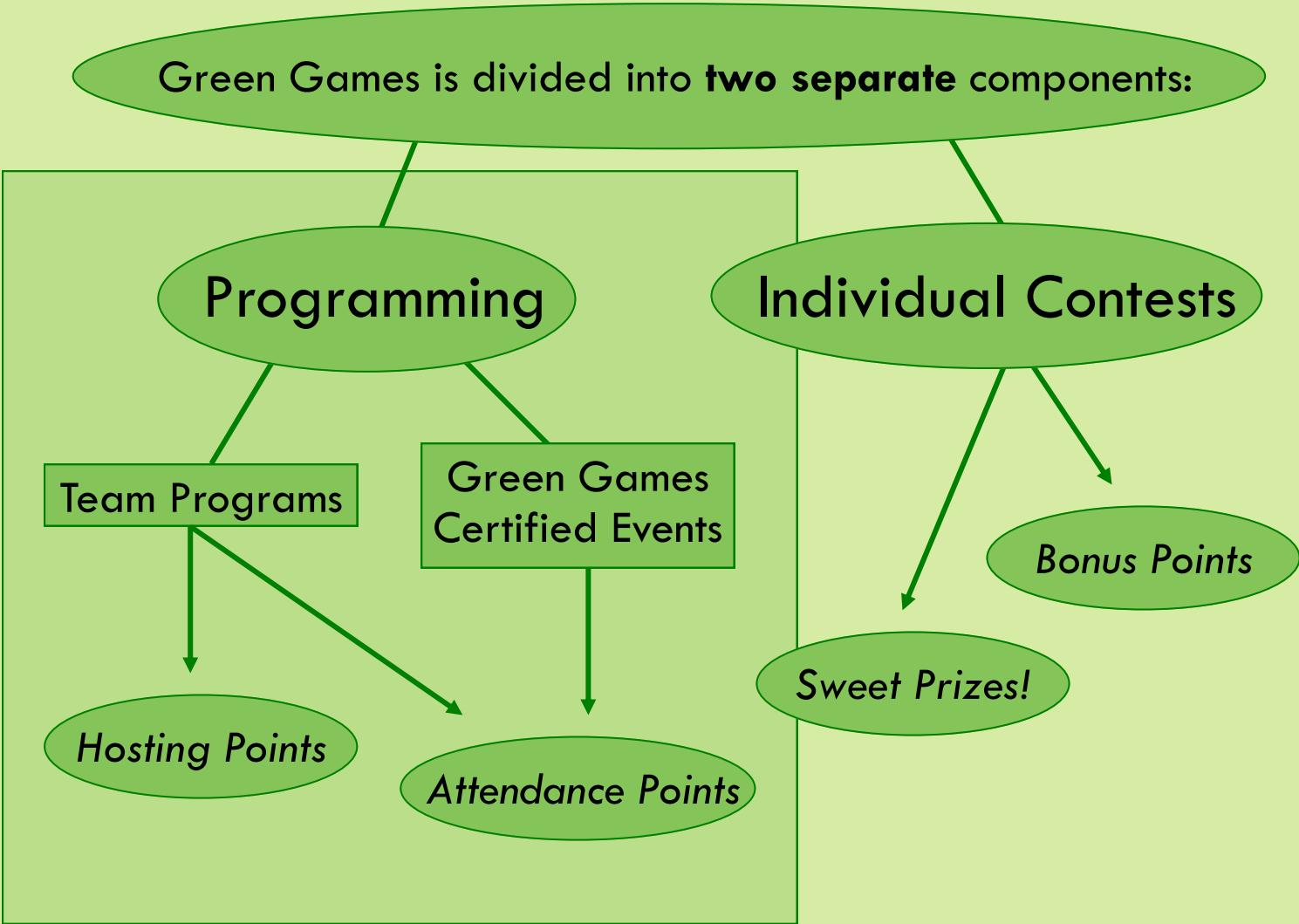
*Please note: Although it is not a requirement, we encourage students to think about incorporating Green Games into HRL's MINERVA model.*



**Helpful Tips:**

**Programming** is a team-based element that allows teams to earn points by **hosting programs** (*Hosting Points*) and **attending events** on and off campus (*Attendance Points*).

See p. \_\_ for Team Program Ideas! Check the OWRR website for Green Games Certified Event listings!

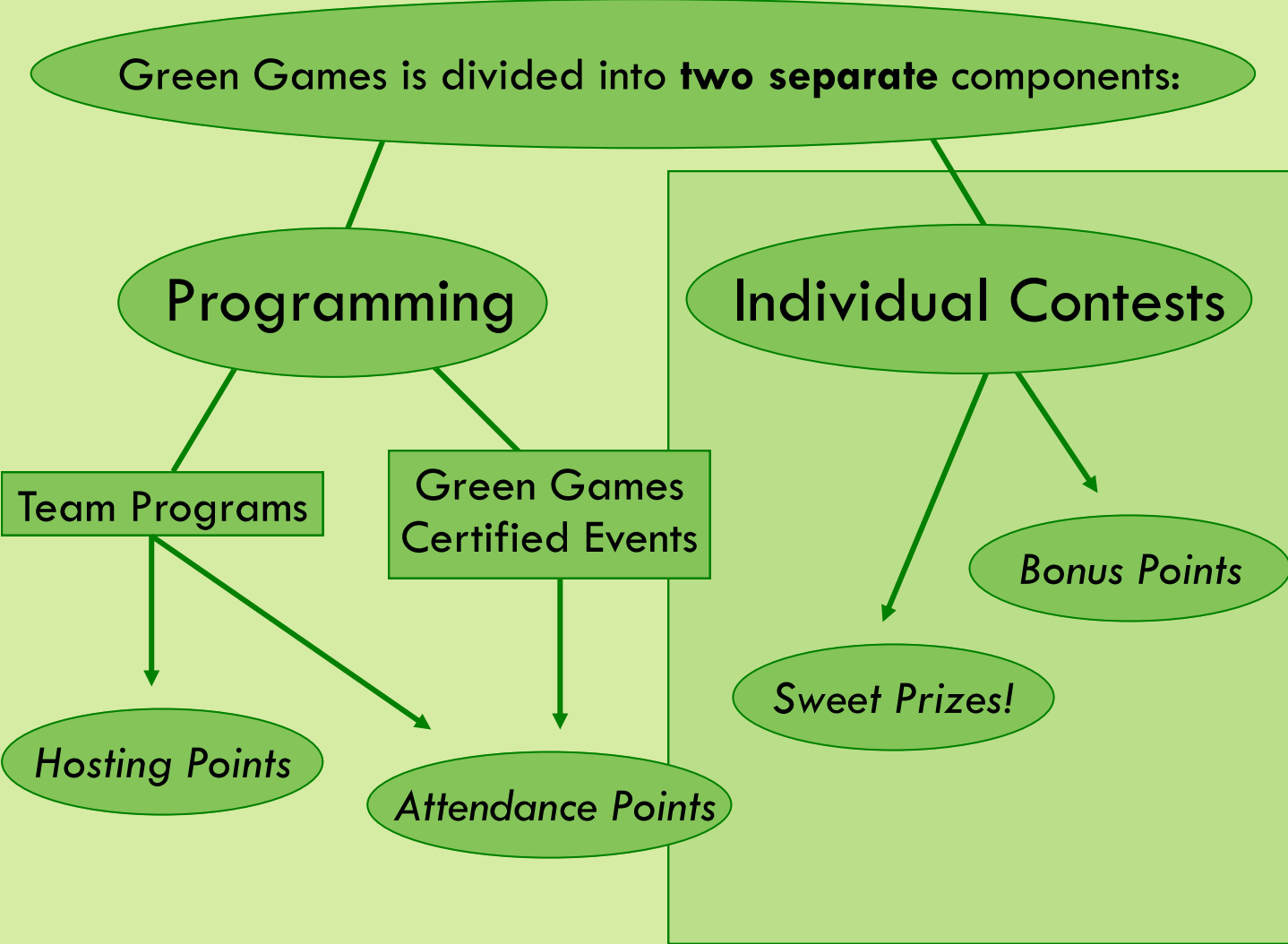




### *Helpful Tips:*

You can earn extra points for your team and prizes for yourself by participating in any of the individual contests!

See p. \_\_ for a complete list of individual contests.





Point Distribution is divided into two major components:

### Hosting Points

*OWRR Info Session	_____	-- 10 pts
*In-Community Programs	_____	15 pts
*Tour or Off-Campus Project	_____	15 pts
*Service Project	_____	20 pts
*Inter-team Competitions	_____	15 pts

### Attendance Points

**Attendance points** may be earned by attending a **Team Program** (see above) or a **Green Games Certified Event (GGCE)**. GGCE's will include numerous existing environmental education events, workshops and programs on campus and around the Greensboro community. Check the OWRR website for an updated list of Green Games Certified Events.

Know of an event going on? **Tell us about it!** It could become the next GGCE!

## Points will be calculated as follows:

**INDIVIDUAL CONTEST WINNERS** will receive prizes in the form of gift certificates to local area businesses **AND 5 bonus points** for your team!

**HOSTING POINTS** are distributed based on the **type** of program held (see p. 7).

Finally, **ATTENDANCE POINTS** are given based on the **percentage** of team members who attend a given event. For example: if 20% of your team members attend an event, the team will receive 20 Attendance Points. Therefore, it is important that you sign in at Green Games Certified Events so that we can give your team the full point value that you deserve!



All 26 residence halls on campus will be divided into 6 teams based on geographic location:

**North Side**

Moore/Strong  
Phillips/Hawkins

**High Rises**

Reynolds  
Grogan  
Cone

**The Quad**

Shaw  
Hinshaw  
Bailey  
Jamison  
Coit  
Cotton  
Gray

**College Avenue**

Mary Foust  
(WARC)  
Guilford  
N. Spencer  
S. Spencer

**Spring Garden Street**

Tower Village  
Spring Garden Apts

**Gray Drive**

Ragsdale/Mendenhall  
Weil/Winfield

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Wanna attend a Green Games Certified Event? Not sure exactly what's out there? No problem! We'll be keeping our website updated with the latest GGCE's and other events in the area.

\* If you know of an event that's not listed on our website, just let us know and we'll add it ASAP!

Calendar of Events, The Office of Waste Reduction and Recycling, The University of North Carolina at Greensboro

2008	22	<p><b>Where:</b> At The Fountain!</p> <p><b>Contact:</b> Green Games</p> <p>This is your first EASY opportunity to earn points and PRIZES! Come check us out at the Fountain from 11 am - 2 pm, just by signing the Green Games Pledge, you'll automatically earn a point for your team, and be entered in a raffle for sweet prizes, including: Gift Certificates -Tate St. Coffee -Kingpin Tattoos -Harris Teeter -Bear Rock Cafe AND MORE!</p>
2008	22	<p><b>Oct</b> <b>GG Certified Event: Solar Design Discussion</b></p> <p><b>When:</b> 10/22/2008 7:30:00 PM until 10/22/2008 8:30:00 PM</p> <p><b>Where:</b> kathleen clay edwards library</p> <p><b>Contact:</b> Green Games</p> <p>Learn about how to make your home more energy efficient.</p>
2008	23	<p><b>Oct</b> <b>UNCGreen Yard Sale</b></p> <p><b>When:</b> 10/23/2008 10:00:00 AM until 10/23/2008 3:00:00 PM</p> <p><b>Where:</b> At the fountain</p> <p><b>Contact:</b> Green Games</p> <p>They are taking donations and need: clothing, shoes, accessories, kitchenware, appliances, housegoods, textbooks, school supplies. All donations will be sold at the yard sale and earnings will go towards making the campus greener! Bring donations to the fountain between 9:00-10:00 am.</p>
2008	23	<p><b>Oct</b> <b>Alaskan Conservation Presentation</b></p> <p><b>When:</b> 10/23/2008 2:00:00 PM until 10/23/2008 3:00:00 PM</p> <p><b>Where:</b> Graham 212</p> <p><b>Contact:</b> Green Games</p> <p>Em McKeever, a volunteer with the Student Conservation Association in Alaska and Environmental Studies minor, is going to be giving a presentation about her experiences.</p>
2008	24	<p><b>Oct</b> <b>Project Learning Tree</b></p> <p><b>When:</b> 10/24/2008 9:00:00 AM until 10/24/2008 4:00:00 PM</p> <p><b>Where:</b> Kathleen Clay Edwards Library in Gboro</p> <p><b>Contact:</b> Green Games</p> <p>Project Learning Tree (places we live). Anyone interested in getting certified for environmental education can receive credit by going to these, but anyone can go just for fun. Learn about community planning, visual pollution, and discovering environmental data for your area. Wear outdoor clothes and bring water. To register e-mail : Melanie.buckingham@greensboro-nc.gov</p>

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Don't forget— in order to receive credit for attending an event, you must either (a) sign in at the event, or (b) turn in a GGCE form, available on the website.

**All Green Games Certified Event paperwork is available on the recycling website! Just fill it out and e-mail it back to us; we are operating on an honor system, so please be honest about the events you attend.**

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gmail.com*

For starters, check out these easy-to-implement team program ideas! Don't be afraid to think outside the box— we WANT to give you points for your programs!

**Conservation Cookout**

Organize a cookout or party for your residents. Require that everyone bring his or her own reusable plate and cup to eliminate excess waste.

**Zero-Energy Breaks**

Encourage your residents to unplug all electrical devices when they leave for breaks or weekends. Make up an awareness campaign and receive points.

**OWRR Presentations**

Just get in touch with us (256-0442); a representative from the OWRR would be happy to come out to your dorm and host an info session about recycling and sustainability on campus and in the greater Greensboro community.

**Sign and Poster Party**

Get team members together to make creative signs encouraging folks to recycle, conserve, etc. Then post them all over your dorm and receive GG points! Need talking points? Check out the OWRR website for conservation tips.



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...and here are some **MORE** ideas for Team Programs:

**New Campus Event**

Got an idea for an awareness-raising event? Maybe it will become the next campus tradition.

**Create your own Green Games Newsletter!**

Put your creative energy to use: create your own Green Games Newsletter! Include conservation tips and upcoming events.

**Battery Recycling Drive**

Go door-to-door in your dorm and collect used batteries from your neighbors. You can make this a competition within your dorm (floor vs. floor), team (dorm vs. dorm), or against other teams. When you've totaled up your battery count, bring them to the OWRR and we'll recycle them for you!

**Host a Speaker**

There are a number of qualified professionals in the environmental field who would be willing to speak at your residence hall. Need some topic ideas? Email [uncgreengames@gmail.com](mailto:uncgreengames@gmail.com) and we'll help you get set up!

We encourage you to come up with your own programming ideas as well. The sky is the limit with Green Games programming!

**IMPORTANT: Make sure that all Team Program paperwork is received BY DECEMBER 1ST! If you decline to do so, you will not get points for your efforts!**

## Green Halloween!

Are you being **green** this Halloween? If so..email us pictures of your costume or post them on our facebook group! The best costume that reuses old materials in a creative way will win a prize and bonus green points! Muahahaha.

**Deadline: Nov. 5th**

## Website Article

Pick an environmental topic in your area of interest and write an informational article for our website! It'll be posted for the duration of the semester, and you'll win (of course) points & prizes!

**Deadline: Nov. 14th**

## Eco-Photo Contest

Submit your artsy/environmental/pretty outside photos via email— or drop hard copies by the office. We'll put the winners on display at Landfill on the Lawn on Nov. 14th— and you'll also win prizes & points!

**Deadline: Nov. 10th**

## Recycled Sculpture Contest

Exercise your creativity! Use **recycled or recyclable items** to create a unique sculpture and you could win prizes/points! Like the photo contest, entries will be displayed at Landfill on the Lawn, Nov. 14th.

**Deadline: Nov. 17th**



## **Helpful Links**

### **State/local Environmental Resources:**

***City of Greensboro Recycling Program: Department of Field Operations***

***<http://www.greensboro-nc.gov/Departments/fieldops/recycling/education.htm>***

***City of Greensboro Department of Water Resources***

***<http://www.greensboro-nc.gov/Departments/Water/involved/volunteer/default.htm>***

***NC DENR Departments & Divisions***

***[http://www.enr.state.nc.us/html/contact\\_denr.html](http://www.enr.state.nc.us/html/contact_denr.html)***

***Division of Parks and Recreation State Park Listings***

***<http://ils.unc.edu/parkproject/main/visit.html>***

***NC Division of Air Quality***

***<http://daq.state.nc.us/>***

***NC Office of Environmental Education***

***<http://www.eenorthcarolina.org/>***



## **Helpful Links** **Online Resources:**

*Carolina Recycling Association*  
<http://www.cra-recycle.org/>

*Conservation International*  
<http://www.conservation.org/>

*Earth 911: Making Every Day Earth Day*  
*This site contains information about recycling services in your local community, as well as upcoming local and national environmental events.* <http://www.earth911.org/master.asp>

*EarthTrends Environmental Information*  
*EarthTrends is a comprehensive online database, maintained by the World Resources Institute. It focuses on the environmental, social, and economic trends that shape our world.* <http://earthtrends.wri.org/>

*Environmental Defense Fund:* <http://www.edf.org/>

*World Wildlife Fund*  
*The official website of the World Wildlife Fund, this site profiles endangered species and offers suggestions about how you can help conserve them.* <http://www.worldwildlife.org/>

*New American Dream:* <http://www.newdream.org/>

*The Environmental Protection Agency:* <http://www.epa.gov>

*The Environment Directory: Earth's biggest environmental search engine.* <http://www.webdirectory.com/>



## On Campus Resources

### ***UNCG Office of Waste Reduction and Recycling***

Got a question? Ask the OWRR! Come by any time between 7:30-4:30 (Sink Building/Physical Plant room 214), or call us at (336) 256 442. Our website will include updated information about Green Games Certified Events and other online Green Games resources.

<http://www.uncg.edu/rcy>

### ***Residence Hall Association***

RHA is the student-run governing board of all the Residence Hall Councils on campus. RHA provides a venue for students to become actively involved in the residential community, develop leadership skills, communicate ideas, voice the opinions and concerns of their respective halls, plan campus activities, and make sure that students have a voice on the policies and issues that affect them. The OWRR will have a presence in at least one RHA meeting per month. **RHA meetings are a great venue for Green Games questions and concerns to be addressed.**

<http://www.uncg.edu/student.groups/rha/> email: [rha@uncg.edu](mailto:rha@uncg.edu)

### ***Office of Housing and Residence Life***

The Department of Housing and Residence Life is committed to providing a high quality, high value living experience that brings our residents to lives of service, scholarship, and leadership, both as students and graduates of UNCG. <http://hrl.uncg.edu/>

### ***Office of Leadership and Service-Learning***

The Office of Leadership and Service-Learning serves as a catalyst for the development of curricular, co-curricular, and experiential leadership and service-learning programs. Its programs in collaboration with other departments advance the leadership potential and civic engagement of every willing UNCG student. **Want to take an active leadership role in Green Games? Get in touch with OLSL for tips on how to maximize your leadership potential.** <http://olsl.uncg.edu/>

**Contact the OWRR with any questions:**

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