## Ceiling Recycling Programme

## **End of Life and Off Cut**

## Gaining ground by reducing waste

There aren't many opportunities to make a meaningful difference. Sometimes it's the little things, multiplied by the efforts of many, which make the biggest impact. That's the idea behind our UK Ceiling Recycling Programme. By working together we can help preserve our natural resources and reduce environmental impact.

## Don't waste an opportunity

Recycling can be as good for you as it is for the environment. It reduces waste, saves money and is a smart alternative to our dwindling landfill capacity in the UK. With our UK Ceiling Recycling Programme, you will save money by eliminating rising landfill fees and taxes, along with the cost of skips and transportation.

Armstrong ceilings already make extensive use of recycled material, and because 100% of these recycled tiles can be used within our process, we can provide new ceilings

with even higher post-consumer recycled content.



## **Rethinking Recycling**

We've made our End-of-Life recycling programme as easy and as accessible as possible.

### End-of-Life Ceiling Recycling

You take down your old ceiling tiles and stack them on pallets. They will be 100% recycled into new ceiling tiles.

## 'Off-Cut' Ceiling Recycling

Armstrong will provide suitable bags for the sub contractor to fill with ceiling tile waste. They will be 100% recycled into new ceiling tiles.

#### Note:

- ➤ The Armstrong End-of-Life scheme applies to any quantity of all pulpable wet felt mineral fibre, stone wool and glass wool ceiling tiles where they are replaced by Armstrong tiles
- You must be prepared to coordinate the removal, safe stacking, storage and loading of the tiles that are to be recycled
- Special loading or removal circumstances should be discussed with your local Armstrong contact or through the helpline: 0800 371849 (UK)

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## **Recycling requirements**

#### Acceptable ceiling tiles:

- Any brand of pulpable wet-felt mineral fibre ceilings dated after January 2000
- Any brand of glass wool and stone wool ceiling tiles dated after January 2000

Ceiling tiles have the manufacturing date stamped on the back of the tile

#### Non acceptable ceiling tiles:

- Metal ceiling tiles
- Vinyl, metal foil or fabric faced/ backed ceiling tiles
- Wood based ceiling tiles
- Ceiling tiles installed below friable asbestos or contaminated with any hazardous material
- · Ceiling tiles with paint not applied by manufacturer

#### ▶ General:

- No wood, metal, plastic or builders debris is acceptable
- No products that are mouldy or wet or cannot be transported in a safe manner
- No product contaminated with any hazardous material or requiring special handling or disposal methods

#### Transport:

## **End-of-Life Ceiling Recycling**

- Material must be clean and dry and in the acceptable category above
- Material must be stacked tidily and in a safe manner on 1200x1200 wooden pallets
- All tiles should be stacked squarely on the pallet to maximise stability during transport
- Pallets should not be stacked more than 2 metres high
- Pallets must be secured using stretch wrapping or tape bands

- Pallets should be loaded safely onto transport to achieve maximum utilisation and minimise transport costs
- Sufficient space is necessary on site for the safe loading of a 40ft curtain sided lorry
- Special loading or removal circumstances should be discussed with your local Armstrong contact or through the helpline: 0800 371849 (UK)

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## Charges:

#### Free of charge Collections

Armstrong aims to optimise the use of transport and collection of ceiling tiles will be free of charge.

#### Chargeable Collections

Armstrong may apply charges in special circumstances, for example: out of hours collections or multiple collections of small quantities.

Collection charges are available on request, but will always be less than waste disposal and landfill charges.

Details available from your local Armstrong contact or through the helpline: **08010 371849 (UK)** 

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## ARMSTRONG'S CEILING RECYCLING PROGRAMME IN 3 SIMPLE STEPS

## 1. Provide your Armstrong contact or our recycling helpline with ...

- The name of the project and the location along with appropriate site contact details
- Estimated m² to be recycled and estimated date for material collection
- Identification or description of the ceiling tiles and the date they were manufactured
- Date ceiling tiles need to be removed

# 2. Armstrong in conjunction with the appropriate site contact will arrange inspection to confirm acceptability

- Material inspection by Armstrong
- Signing of agreement (that you agree to our 'recycling requirements' above)
- 3. If material is acceptable and you have agreed to our requirements, then once steps

1 and 2 have been completed a minimum of 48 hours notice is needed to ensure we can arrange the best transport details, with minimal environmental impact



