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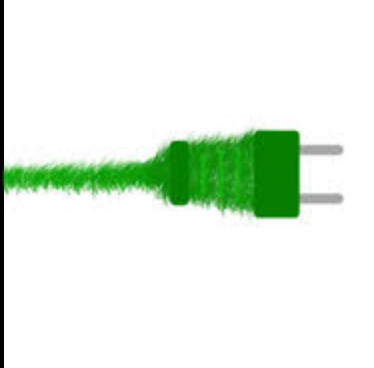


SUSTAINABILITY REPORT 2020

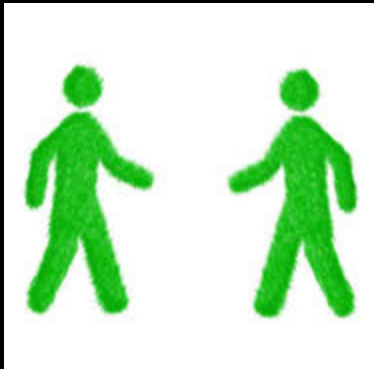
SUSTAINABILITY IN ACTION

Our vision is to create a safe, healthy and sustainable world and we are constantly looking for ways to reduce our impact on the planet. Here are some of the ways we are already integrating sustainability into our business, and what we have to come.

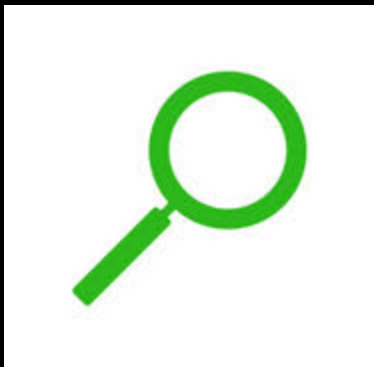
SUSTAINABILITY IN FOCUS



Energy Consumption & Waste Management



Support for our People & Community



Closed Loop Sourcing & Brand Support



CO₂ REDUCTION

- We use third party carriers Fedex to deliver on orders.
- FedEx Express is aiming to increase vehicle fuel efficiency by 50% by 2025 after achieving their 2020 goal of a 30% improvement 5 years early

FedEx. We send all our orders via FedEx, a brand pioneering innovation and change in sustainability, in the Transport Industry.



- FedEx EarthSmart initiative covers three pillars (see Go Green landing page)

- Our Head Office is designed to maximise use of daylight and include LED lighting with PIR sensors to minimise electricity use for lighting. Onsite solar panels will soon contribute to our energy sources, building towards our goal for our electricity to be 100% sourced from renewable zero carbon sources.
- We are moving to paperless operations whenever we can, including a digital warehouse management system and conducting our performance reviews through our online portal

FSC ACCREDITED PAPER

- Working in conjunction with our print suppliers we ensure that any paper sourced for our marketing materials is carbon balanced and FSC Accredited. The FSC ensures environmentally appropriate and socially beneficial forest management; taking into consideration local people, the forest's biodiversity, productivity and ecological processes.
- Wherever possible we are now communicating digitally to minimise printed material and waste.



CHEMICAL FREE CLEANING

- Our Cleanline Eco product range promotes responsible consumption and production. It aims to protect life on land and water whilst being effective in use. Several products within the range are now enzyme based.



WASTE MANAGEMENT

- 83% of our waste is diverted from landfill, with 93% of this being recycled and the remaining 7% going to waste-to-power (based on 2019 figures)
- We use Community Wood Recycling to collect old and broken pallets. They use these materials to provide training and employment opportunities through upcycling and repurposing the wood into bookcases, bird boxes and biofuel. In 2019 they provided training and work opportunities for over 850 local unemployed people and created 238 jobs
- As a group, Bunzl Plc makes stock donations throughout the year, which prevents retired lines from going to waste.

<https://www.communitywoodrecycling.org.uk/>



PRODUCT RECYCLING

- 1 Collection
- 2 Shredding
- 3 Disposal



PPE RECYCLING

National Safety Supplies can offer you a PPE Recycling Service, partnering with a company that has a zero landfill policy

The Recycling Process:

All you need to do is request a 'recycling bag' and provide your contact information including address and contact number.

Once you have filled the bag contact the number on the 'recycling bag' and a courier will pick it up for recycling.

For your ease and privacy, all personalised areas are removed and discarded by the company (ie logos). All material is recycled and uses include fuel for industrial applications applications, felts and recycled fibre insulation. Full audits/spreadsheets are issued on a monthly basis by the company to show the end uses of all recycled materials.

What can be recycled?

- Clothing
- Footwear
- Ear Defenders
- Ear Plugs
- Safety Specs
- Helmets
- Respirators (not filters)



PLASTIC REDUCTION

- Where possible, our Cleanline chemical containers are made from at least 25-31% recycled plastic and they are all 100% recyclable. Our Cleanline 'ready-to-use' 750ml cleaning products offer trigger spray bottles with 100% recycled bottles. These bottles are made from 100% recycled material and are 100% recyclable.
- All our road barriers, traffic cones and refuse sacks are made from 100% recycled material and are 100% recyclable.

A quick guide to plastics

Symbol	Plastic Name	Recyclable?
1	PETE or PET	Yes
	rPET	Yes
2	HDPE	Yes
3	PVC	Yes – if supported by waste provider
4	LDPE	Yes – if supported by waste provider
5	PP	Yes – if supported by waste provider
6	PS	No
7	OTHER	Not usually – ask waste provider



COMMUNITY ACTION



- Bunzl voluntary work with DIY SOS.

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- Every National Safety Supplies employee is advocated to take one day's paid leave to volunteer for a cause of their choice. That is a potential 4000 hours cross our sister companies available for community action!
- All of Bunzl plc fundraise & donate stock throughout the year.



- In 2019 we helped our sister company, Bunzl Greenham, raise £6752.51 for Mates in Mind as our chosen charity and we're continuing to support them throughout 2020.



CLOSED LOOP SOURCING

Closed loop recycling is the best way to minimise your business' environmental footprint. According to Defra statistics, UK businesses produced 41.1m tonnes of waste in 2016, up from 40m in 2014. And while recycling is becoming more common, Defra has estimated that up to 60% of the waste held in dustbins could have been recycled. Closed-loop recycling is a process where waste - or resources as we like to call it - is collected, recycled and then used again to make the same product it came from or an alternative useful product.

EXAMPLES OF OUR CLOSED LOOP SOLUTIONS INCLUDE:

- JSP Road Barriers
- Florprotec Floor Protection

SUSTAINABLE PRODUCT INITIATIVES

Working with our Supply Chain we have implemented some new products with National Contracts to improve their impact on the Environment, some big changes include...

Travel John

Now upgraded to a paper product, this can now be disposed of in Household waste as it will biodegrade. The previous product was plastic and would not biodegrade and would also be classed as Toxic waste.

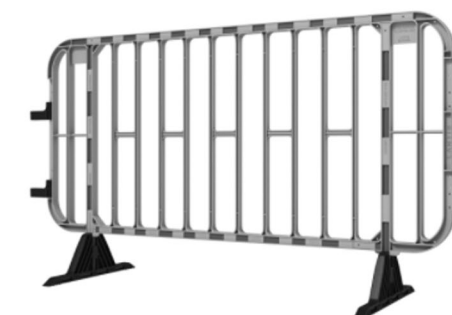


Glove liner

Uxex have made the glove liner of the C5 Foam Glove out of a derivative of bamboo, a much more sustainable product than its counterparts.

Barriers

Oxford Plastics have designed a crowd barrier using recycled plastics from carrier bags.



Water free

Uvex Ear plug production process is waterless and virtually CO2-neutral.

Non-PTFE materials

The membranes on Rockfall footwear emit 36% less Greenhouse Gases (GHG) per Kilo than PTFE ones.

Off Cuts

All off-cuts of Nomex garments from Alsico are recycled.

Cardboard

Both Ejendals and Rockfall have taken all plastic from their packaging, and switched to recyclable card for their boxes.

COMING
SOON

Developments in a new range of sustainable clothing, made from 100% recycled materials

Sustainable range of catering equipment and supplies

Packaging reviews to reduce the use of single use plastics across PPE



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