



# Recycling solution

Stop cartridges ending up in landfill

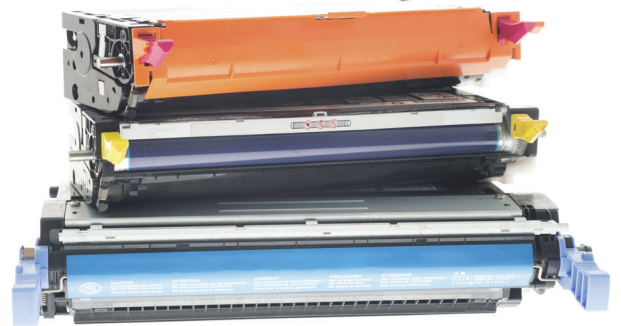


## Why recycle your print cartridges and mobile phones?

Did you know, the plastic contained within the casing of ink and toner cartridges can take 1000 years to fully decompose in a landfill?

Each year, approximately 65 million printer cartridges are sold in the UK. It is estimated that only 15% of these are reused or recycled, equating to approximately 9.75 million cartridges per annum.

That means the remaining 55 million cartridges are discarded to landfills.



According to the UK government, we generate approximately 228 million tonnes of waste every year. Not only does this cause damage to the environment, but it's a massive waste of resource increasingly costing businesses money. The government is moving towards a 'zero waste and circular economy' meaning that it will be compulsory to reduce, reuse and recycle.

### How can we help?

As we believe everyone has a responsibility towards the environment, we operate a free and uncomplicated ink and toner collection service to help you cut your businesses CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. We will even collect your old mobile phones. Whether you have just one, or hundreds of units, we will work with you to dispose of these in a responsible manner.



Over 85% of what's collected is remanufactured in the UK to provide cost effective alternative products, just like some products within our 5 Star range. Less than 1% of all items collected cannot be remanufactured or recycled due to damage or defect, so these will be broken down and used to make new life products, offering a full closed loop solution.

15 million mobile phones are upgraded in the UK each year. Laid from end-to-end, this quantity would span from John O'Groats to Lands End. Every mobile phone received goes through a lengthy inspection process before being fixed and cleaned, and a history check is conducted to make sure it has not been lost or stolen. If for some reason a phone can't be fixed, it will be broken down and sent to refineries to be made into secondary metal and plastic products.



## Reduce your CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in 4 simple steps

Implementing a print cartridge and mobile phone recycling solution in your office is not only great for the environment, but it will also give you an opportunity to enhance your current CSR and environmental policy.

### Step 1 - Implement

There are two main options; freepost envelopes or collection bins. We can send you freepost envelopes which are ideal for sending back low quantities of inkjet cartridges or mobile phones. Alternatively, if you need to return a number of items or large toner cartridges, we can send collection bins for you to strategically place around the workplace. We will discuss your requirements and advise the best solution for your business.

### Step 2 - Fill up

Once we have implemented the right solution for your business, we will leave you to fill the collection bins or freepost envelopes.

### Step 3 - Return

When your collection bins are full, simply drop us an email or give us a call and we will arrange for them to be picked up from your business. Alternatively, you can post them back using our freepost envelope service.

### Step 4 - Recycle

Once your cartridges and mobile phones are received they will be remanufactured or recycled, saving them from up to 1000 years in a landfill.

If you are interested in our recycling solution and would like to find out more, please speak to a member of the team.





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