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Waste packaging is a huge cost to the furniture industry. Throwing materials away not only costs you money but also adds to the landfill shortage in the UK and wastes valuable resources that should be recycled.

Waste Packaging Regulations legislation states that companies have a Duty of Care to recycle defined amounts of their packaging. The necessary thresholds keep decreasing, so even if you are not legally required to recycle now, you probably will do in the future, and the sooner you start the more money you'll save.

The Senator Group offers a packaging recycling service which will reduce your waste costs, ensure that your packaging is recycled effectively and responsibly, whilst also keeping you legally compliant with waste regulations and legislation.

## HOW THE SERVICE WORKS.

The Senator Group sells you specially commissioned recycling bags (see photo below), which you fill with your packaging. The Senator Group will collect the filled bags when delivering furniture to your warehouse or will collect them using returning delivery vehicles (i.e. backloads). This ensures your overall Carbon Footprint is kept down to a minimum.

The recycling bags cost £2.50 each, and are sold in batches of 50, so £125 + VAT each order. These pre-paid bags can be used as quickly or as slowly as you want or need; simply re-order some more when you've nearly run out.



The bags can be ordered through our sales office, using the product code ZRecycle Bag50

For £2.50 The Senator Group provides the recycling capacity inside the bag, the transport and the associated paperwork with the recycling. All you need to do is segregate the packaging into these pre-paid recycling bags.

Each year, The Senator Group will provide you with a recycling certificate showing the total tonnage of packaging you've recycled, and how much carbon you have saved. This can be a great sales and marketing tool, which is fully auditable and can be used on tenders.

## EQUIVALENT COSTS AND EXPECTED SAVINGS.

The recycling bags have a volume of 1 cubic metre (or 1.3 cubic yards) in volume. This makes it very easy to do a cost comparison against skips.

The recycling bags will save you 85%-93% on the equivalent skip costs:

Cost per skip: £120 - £240

The Senator Group Recycling Bag equivalent - £17.50

Over a year using The Senator Group's recycling bags could save you between £1,230 and £2,190, based on a small skip being collected once a month.

There are no hidden catches or charges, all you pay is £2.50 per bag.

**COST PER LIFT - £119-£191**

**THE SENATOR GROUP  
RECYCLING BAG EQUIVALENT - £17.50**



## WHAT WE RECYCLE.

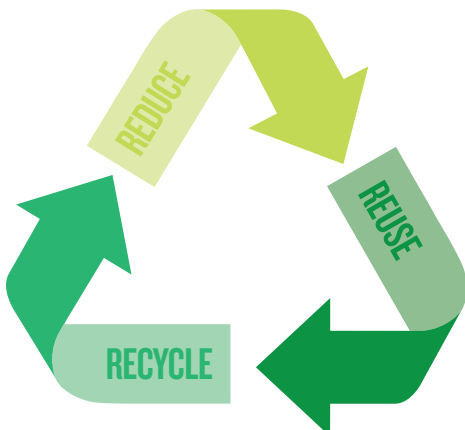
The material has to be segregated into either cardboard or plastics, due to onerous Environment Agency regulations. We cannot accept mixed bags, with both cardboard and plastics in them.

The 'cardboard' bag can contain any type of cardboard, paper, catalogues or brochures.

The 'plastics' bag can contain any type of shrink wrap, stretch wrap, bubble wrap, chair bags, blue foam edging, expanded polystyrene, strapping/banding, (around ped boxes) and netting, (on 5 star chair bases), as well as any clean hard plastics.

The packaging doesn't just have to have come from The Senator Group product either, it can come from any source or supplier, although we'd obviously prefer it if all your packaging was from The Senator Group product.

## GETTING STARTED.



Before a customer is signed up to the scheme, we'll first have to check that the location fits in with the delivery schedule – unfortunately some customers' locations are unsuitable for backloads, but most customers are fine though. Any new customer will be sent a Waste Transfer Note book, this is used to ensure that both parties are kept legally compliant when transferring waste.

It is a very simple system. The white copy of the paperwork is given to the driver and returned with the recycling bags, the pink copy and the book remain in your warehouse.

Above is a copy of a Waste Transfer Note book. The sections highlighted in blue show what it to be filled in by your company, as the 'transferor'. The section highlighted in green shows what the The Senator Group driver will fill in, as the 'transferee'.

It is important all the relevant details are correctly filled in, to ensure the weights of the bags are recorded against your company name, for certification and audit purposes.

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## PACKAGING MATERIALS WE CAN RECYCLE

Cardboard	Chair bags
Paper	Blue foam edging
Brochures/Catalogues	Expanded Polystyrene
Shrink wrap	Clean, hard plastics
Stretch wrap	Strapping/banding
Bubble wrap	5 star base netting

## RECYCLE - SAVE YOUR MONEY AND VALUABLE RESOURCES.

Each April, the UK Government increases Landfill Tax by around 12%. This cost is passed onto consumers by Waste Management companies; this means that the cost of throwing any material away will continue to rise, so the sooner you start recycling the more money you'll save in the long term.

If you would like more information or a quote for furniture recycling then please contact us

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