Ceiling Panel Recycling Program

Be Part of the Solution
Now you can recycle your old ceiling panels and still stay on schedule and on budget. In the same time required to haul small loads of old panels to a dumpster, workers can palletize panels as they are removed.

Recycling ceiling panels won’t happen if it adds to the time and cost of a renovation.

That’s why we’ve designed this program to be fast, easy and cost effective.

First, check that your ceiling panels qualify for recycling. If you have any questions, contact your local USG representative. Then, remove them as you normally would.

Material must be clean, dry and approved by USG. No wood, metal or construction debris of any kind. Panels must not have come into contact with any hazardous material that requires special handling or disposal.

Acceptable for recycling: Ceiling panels manufactured by USG.

Not acceptable:
- Panels from an installation where hazardous materials have been used
- foil-laminate panels
- fabric- or vinyl-faced panels
- wet, moldy or weathered panels
- wood fiber panels
- Non-USG manufactured ceiling tiles
- custom-colored or post-painted panels, or other panels that do not meet our manufacturing process requirements by USG
Next, stack the panels neatly on 1200mm x 1200mm shipping pallets. Double stacking is the most environmentally responsible way to ship the panels. To do this, stack panels no higher than 1200mm.

1 Place a USG Ceiling Panel Packaging Label on two of the four pallet faces so that each is clearly visible and stays in place.

2 Secure the panels on pallets with stretch wrap or metal bands.

3 Package the material so that the pallets remain stable. All panels must be straight on pallets and secured within the trailer so that loads won’t fall during transit or unloading.

Before you start to stack, make sure that your materials are acceptable, that a USG representative and the owner or owner’s representative have signed the USG Recycling Contract, and that you have a pallet jack (and maybe a forklift, depending on the dock) available to move the loaded pallets.

Finally, the only thing that you will be charged for is the local freight, as long as you meet some simple conditions:
– you have a full truckload
– the material has been approved
– a completed contract has been signed
– and you call your local USG salesperson at least ten days prior to desired pickup.

For projects that meet the program minimum quantity of 3,000 square meters, the number of 1200mm x 1200mm x 1200mm pallets will be 22.

If you can’t fill a truck, there are other options. Our goal is to prevent recyclable materials from being discarded into landfills.

If you have less than a truckload, call your USG sales representative to learn about other options.
Reclaiming used ceiling panels is just one part of USG’s strong commitment to the environment. We use post industrial gypsum to manufacture Powerscape-Fibercork wallboard, and we’re one of the North America’s top users of recycled paper.

**Turn used ceiling panels into new building products instead of landfill.**

For warranty or product information and literature: www.usg.com.au

**Note**
Products described here may not be available in all geographic markets. Consult your USG Company sales office or representative for information.

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Follow good safety and industrial hygiene practices during handling and installation of all products and systems. Take necessary precautions and wear the appropriate personal protective equipment as needed. Read material safety data sheets and related literature on products before specification and/or installation.

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