

## Hard hat recycling

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## Overview

The UK throws away a significant number of hard hats each year which normally end up in the general waste bin/skip and ultimately in landfill.

To help reduce the number of hard hats sent to landfill, Network Rail has signed up to the National Hard Hat Recycling Scheme run by Yes Recycling which recycles hard hats at a dedicated waste processing facility.

The Hard Hat Recycling Scheme is a membership scheme, whereby registered members can send their hard hats directly to a dedicated hard hat recycling facility where the plastic is recycled to create plastic pellets.

Network Rail currently has a 6 month subscription to the scheme for use by Network Rail only (not contractors). The scheme is for hard hats only and not general PPE.

## How does it work?

How to recycle your old hard hats?

1. Complete the '[Sending My Hats](#)' form.
2. Send the completed form to [info@yesrecycling.org](mailto:info@yesrecycling.org).
3. Print one copy of the completed form and include that copy with the hats (for example inside the box you are sending).
4. Download and print the '[Address Label](#)'.
5. Complete this and tape to the outside of the box that you are sending or otherwise give to the courier as a delivery note. This label contains the address of Yes Recycling, as well as important and legally required information for the postal service.
6. Once Yes Recycling receive hats, the appropriate 'receipt of waste' paperwork will be sent to Network Rail.

Please note: postage or courier services cost needs to come out of the local cost centre sending the hard hats. This is the only cost which will be incurred as the subscription fee has already been paid.

Example of the cost: Enterprise House, Paddington sent 38 hard hats via our couriers service at a cost of £27.

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