

BENCHMARK JOINERY (SOUTH EAST) LTD ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

We, at Benchmark Joinery (South East) Limited, pride ourselves on being an environmentally aware company. Our aim is to reduce waste and recycle wherever and whenever possible.

We recognise that our activities have an impact on the environment arising from our consumption of raw materials, energy and water from our generation of waste and emissions to land, air and water.

In order to minimise that environmental impact we are committed to:

- Comply with all environmental legislation, regulations and codes of practice relevant to the industry sector in which we operate
- Recycling our by-products including sawdust, wood shavings and wood off-cuts in a sustainable and efficient manner. We convert our shavings and sawdust into fuel briquettes, which we use ourselves and sell to the general public, thus reducing the amount of trees being felled for logs. We also sell our off-cuts of wood as kindling.
- Reusing cardboard and other packaging to protect our products during delivery.
- Using local suppliers wherever possible to maintain a low carbon footprint and only use wood from sustainable forests to reduce the devastation that can be brought about by over felling.
- Storing minimal materials in stock and generally to order our materials as required, so as to avoid unnecessary wastage in the first instance.
- Where possible, e-mail our letters, estimates and invoices to cut down on paper use. We use the Internet for banking and ordering supplies for the same reason.
- Keep our transport use to a minimum and regularly service our vehicles to maintain their efficiency.
- Publish this policy on our website and provide a copy to anyone who legitimately requests one.
- Review this policy annually to take account of changes in organisation, legislation or other internal or external factors.

If you have any questions about our environmental policy, please contact us.

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Company Directors

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